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WAR SCARE IN THE PACIFIC

Close Observers Still Believe In Japanese Caution

ANOTHER 7,000 IN THE BAG

The Greek army yesterday continued its offensive all along the 80-mile battle front in Albania and at one point captured 7,000 Italian prisoners, including many officers, states Athens Radio.

The Greeks attained their objective at bayonet point, added the radio announcer, the Italians being dislodged from their positions.

At three points particularly the results of the engagements were of a decisive nature.

Firstly, when 7,000 prisoners as well as much war material were taken.

Secondly, where the Italians were pushed back a good distance and more prisoners taken, and

Thirdly, where many more prisoners and materials fell into Greek hands.—Reuter.

Imminence Of Early Blow Discredited

WHILE MANY OF THE LONDON NEWSPAPERS DEVOTE THE LARGEST HEADLINES TO JAPAN'S PLANS FOR ENTERING THE WAR WITH AN ATTACK ON MALAYA AND THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES THERE ARE SIGNS OF A RECOIL IN WELL-INFORMED BRITISH CIRCLES AGAINST EXCESSIVE SCARES.

ATTACK ON CONVOY

SIX SHIPS IN A BRITISH CONVOY, STEAMING NORTHWARDS BETWEEN MADEIRA AND THE AZORES, ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN SUNK BY A GERMAN SURFACE RAIDER, APPARENTLY A POCKET BATTLESHIP.

OVER 100 SURVIVORS WERE LANDED AT FUNCHAL (MADEIRA) YESTERDAY.—REUTER.

It is pointed out that with the Nazi propaganda machine in Japan working full time the danger of the extremists launching the country into some wild gamble, in the hope of retrieving the heavy loss in China, cannot be underrated, but reports that war in the Pacific can be expected in the next few days, or even weeks, are on the whole discredited.

Close observers point out that there is a large body of sober-minded men in Japan, including politicians, businessmen and bureaucrats, and even some high generals and admirals, who counsel moderation.

As yet they lack organisation, whereas the pro-Nazi fanatics, though much fewer, are very well organised.

If in a few days without the crisis coming to a head it is thought possible that Japanese pride will revolt against the role assigned to Japan of playing cat's paw to Hitler, whose treachery in making the pact with Russia in the summer of 1939 is unlikely to be forgotten in Japan.

AS A RESULT OF SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM'S ENERGETIC ACTIONS SINCE HE BECAME COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IN THE FAR EAST IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE WHOLE DEFENSIVE POSITION IS VASTLY STRONGER THAN SIX MONTHS AGO, PARTICULARLY AS REGARDS THE LINE OF BRITISH ISLAND OUTPOSTS BETWEEN SINGAPORE AND AUSTRALIA.—REUTER.

JAPAN WAITING ON NAZIS

Though opinion generally in China's war-time capital is that Japan may make a move in the Pacific, in order to support Germany, they feel that such action will not be taken yet.

There is hesitancy among Chinese circles to believe that Japan will launch a drive in the South Seas knowing that such a move will inevitably involve Japan in a major struggle with Britain.

They argue that even if Japan agrees to move in the Pacific, to support the German campaign in Europe, she is unlikely to undertake important action unless she has reason to believe the German move had a good chance of success.

JAPAN, IT IS STATED, WOULD PREFER TO DELAY UNTIL THE GERMAN CAMPAIGN IS WELL UNDER WAY, AND IT IS SUGGESTED THAT JAPAN'S HESITATION IS LARGELY DUE TO FEAR OF THE SOVIET UNION.—REUTER.

NIGHT FIGHTERS HAVE THIN TIME

GERMAN NIGHT FIGHTERS in force tried to intercept British bombers in raids on Bremen and Hanover on Tuesday night, states the Air Ministry news service.

One heavy British bomber was attacked four times in 100 minutes. After the rear-gunner of the British plane had fired one long burst at about 200 yards, the first attacker dived steeply, entered a cloud and was not seen again.

The second attacker disappeared after receiving a short burst followed by longer bursts.

The third attacker, equipped with headlights, was given a long burst and a full beam shot at close range and banked steeply and disappeared in a cloud emitting smoke and flame.

Aerial Searchlights

The fourth attack was made by a formation of three enemy aircraft, all with headlights.

The British rear-gunner picked out the centre of the three and gave him a long burst. This enemy aircraft burst into flames and disappeared in a cloud.

The other two enemy aircraft dived into a cloud and were not seen again.

The British bomber proceeded to fulfil its mission and dropped high explosive and incendiaries on the target causing two very large explosions.—Reuter.

DEFINING THE SITUATION IN THE PACIFIC

Asked whether the new warning to Americans to leave the Far East was merely a routine repetition or the result of increased gravity in the situation in the Pacific, President Roosevelt at his press conference yesterday said it was a repetition of previous warnings.

He advised his questioner to refer to the State Department before using such phrases as "increased gravity."—Reuter.

Waiting On The Blitzkrieg ?

In any case many close observers believe Japan is unlikely to commit herself until the results of Hitler's Spring blitzkrieg in Europe are seen, especially as no visible casus belli between Great Britain and Japan appears to exist.

Both the Netherlands Government in London and the Batavia administration continue to take a resolute stand against Japanese demands.

The Dutch correspondent of the "Times" says the Netherlands Government has recently instructed General Pabst, Minister to Tokyo, to inform the Japanese Foreign Office that the negotiations in Batavia are being conducted not by any local authority but by a plenipotentiary of the Central Government, with which the conduct of Netherlands' foreign relations solely rests.

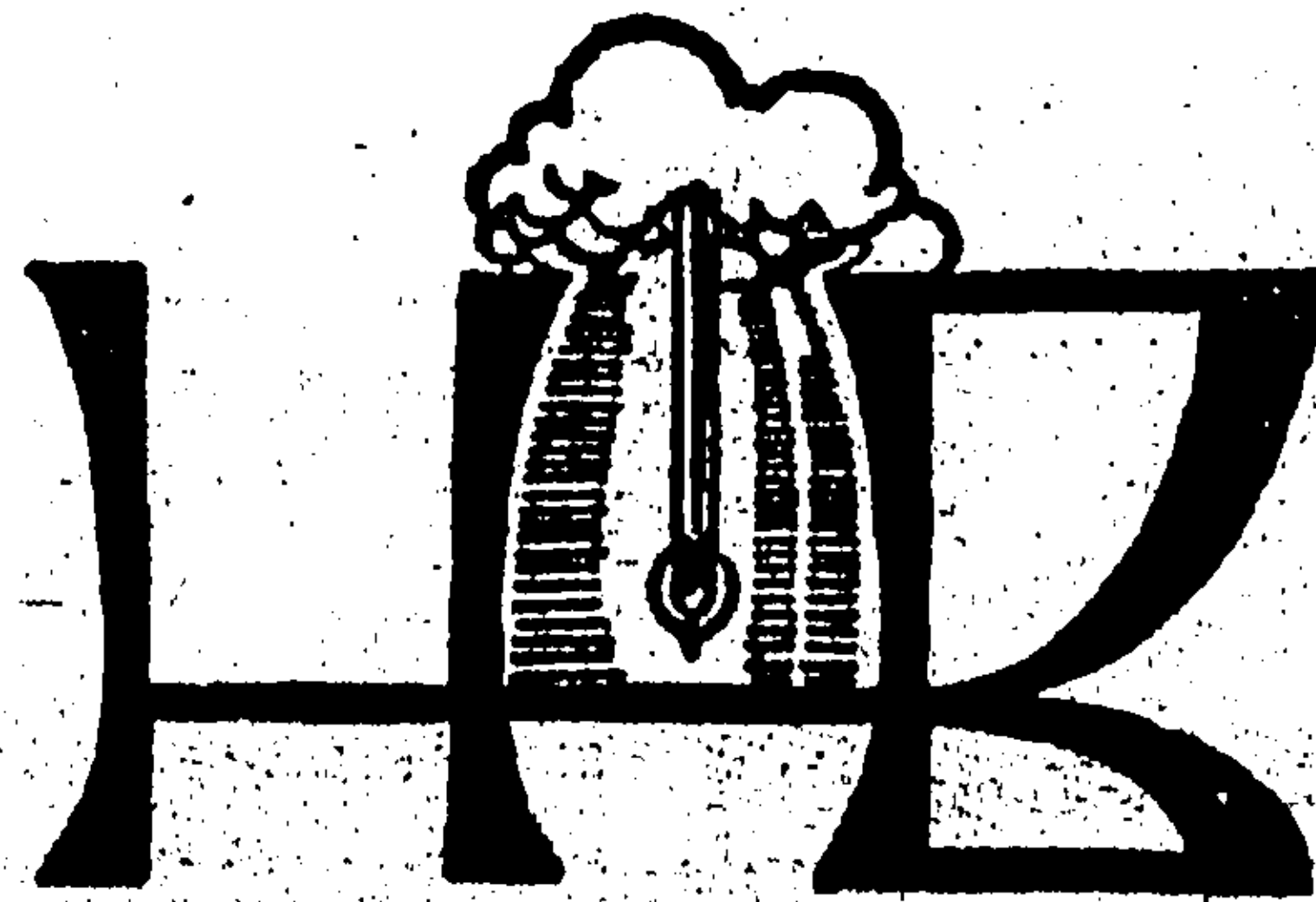
Stronger Defences

It is added that the Japanese Foreign Office replied that the position was now thoroughly understood.

PRISONERS LAND IN BOMBAY

Three thousand Italian prisoners, including 200 officers, were landed at Bombay yesterday, bringing the total number of Italian prisoners on Indian soil to 15,000.—Reuter.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY!

R.A.F. And Luftwaffe Assemble Forces For The Big Offensive

DOCTOR'S LOVE FOR PATIENT

A doctor's love affair with a married woman resulted in his being struck off the register by the General Medical Council, sitting in London. The case was heard in public.

The doctor was Bernard Drummond Hendy, registered as of the Tavistock Clinic, Westfield College, Kidderpore Avenue, N.W. He was charged with having abused his position by behaving improperly to and committing adultery with Mrs. Violet Stacey, who was a patient of his, on numerous occasions between October, 1936, and June, 1940, and with having been guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect.

The complainant, were Mr. and Mrs. Stacey. Mr. T. J. F. Hobley, who appeared for them, said that Mrs. Stacey went to Dr. Hendy in October 1936 on the recommendation of another doctor, for certain psycho-analytical treatment. Mrs. Stacey, in evidence, said that she was first treated by Dr. Hendy in 1936. Early in 1937 he became attracted to her. She suggested that she should go to another doctor, but he became very distressed and asked her to remain with him as his patient and friend. In April, 1939, her treatment lapsed.

"Miss G."

Dr. Hendy discussed with her his unhappy married life and spoke to her of difficulties in his relationship with a Miss G. He also spoke of his friendships with other patients.

Adultery occurred for the first time in October, 1939. When war broke out her husband was asked to do A.R.P. work, and was away from home on certain nights. Misconduct took place when her husband was away. That continued until May this year.

Mrs. Stacey produced a bundle of letters which she said were written to her by Dr. Hendy. When she received a letter in which he wrote, "This is a leave-taking" and asked forgiveness, she spoke to her husband.

Dr. Hendy asked Mrs. Stacey: "Is it not true that early in your treatment you admitted to being in love with me?"

"No," replied Mrs. Stacey. "We acknowledged a mutual affection," she added.

Dr. Hendy, in a long address to the council, said: "I will admit quite freely that the course of treatment, the line of approach—which I took with Mrs. Stacey was an utterly mistaken and dangerous one. I took it at the time in good faith, believing it to be in her best interests."

Answering the chairman, he said: "I admit to adultery with Mrs. Stacey after October, 1939, but I deny that any professional relationship existed."

Dr. Hendy produced a declaration made by Miss G., who said that she was treated by him. "Throughout the period of my analysis and while I was a patient of Dr. Hendy's his behaviour to me was absolutely professional and correct," the declaration said. "Our friendship was a perfectly normal one."

Miss G. stated in the declaration that she met Mrs. Stacey, who struck her as being very ill-balanced and hysterical. She explained to Mrs. Stacey that her own friendship with Dr. Hendy had commenced after she had ceased to receive treatment.

"I Got Trouble"

Later in the hearing Dr. Hendy said: "While I did not wish Mrs. Stacey to fall in love with me, I extended to her a personal sympathy which I now see few women in the circumstances would be able to withstand. I asked for trouble, and I got it in full measure."

Mrs. Stacey's husband, Mr. Harold Charles Stacey, said that his wife spoke to him in June this year, and he later had an inter-

Air Struggle Still Centred On The West

(By Reuter's Air Correspondent)
THERE IS NOT CONCLUSIVE CONFIRMATION THAT THE NAZI AIR FLEETS RANGED AGAINST BRITAIN AND HER ATLANTIC LIFELINE HAVE BEEN SAPPED FOR A BALKAN BLITZKRIEG.

Qualified observers discount such an explanation of the continued lull in the Luftwaffe's activity in the West as being far too obvious.

The weather over north-west Europe continues to be poor and, taking advantage of this, Germany is pushing forward with the greatest energy efforts to re-equip and reform squadrons with new or at least improved types of bombers and fighters in readiness for a bigger and more concerted effort.

This strengthening is vitally necessary because without it an intensification of the combined air and sea blockade of Britain, and a possible invasion, cannot succeed, and the safety of German-occupied territories from at least a bigger onslaught by air cannot be guaranteed.

Mr. Churchill said not only that Britain is "arranging" for Germany to experience bombing as heavy as Britain has known but also confidently asserted that the growing R.A.F. is "already certainly master of the daylight air."

Shadow Over Balkans

The belief is growing that Hitler is seeking to cast the menacing shadow of the Luftwaffe deeper over the Balkans for three reasons.

Firstly, to coerce Greece into an armistice with Italy and frighten Turkey, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and Greece into neutral passivity to the nazification of the Balkans.

Secondly, to safeguard the "back door" now that the collapse of his Italian partner weekly grows more imminent.

Thirdly, to prepare the way for a lightning dash at the middle of the British Empire, hoping that the diplomatic melting pot will settle by the Spring with Japanese action in the Pacific, while in the Atlantic Britain would also be fighting for her life.

The numerical strength and quality of the Luftwaffe in the south-east indicates that it is not designed to play a positive role for the moment.

800 'Planes In Rumania

It is believed that some 800 aircraft have been sent to Rumania, of which the majority are fighters, since the protection of the Rumanian oil fields from possible air bombing is of the foremost concern to Germany.

Thousands of ground personnel are occupying Bulgarian airfields

view with Dr. Hendy, who said that he was very sorry that things had turned out in the way they had, and that he had felt very uncomfortable for some time.

"I taxed him about his behaviour as a doctor and about his having no sense of honour," Mr. Stacey added. "I said I wondered how many husbands were in the same position as myself. He replied, 'Only one, and VI knows about that.'"

The council deliberated in camera, and then announced that it had found that the facts alleged against Dr. Hendy in the charge had been proved to its satisfaction. It judged him to have been guilty of infamous conduct in a professional respect. It had directed the registrar to erase his name from the medical register.

but it is doubtful if they will be able to prepare for even as many as 800 planes for some time, as Bulgaria's few bases are ill-equipped and not in the best condition.

The planes being thrust south-eastwards are almost certainly of the 1940 war vintage, to which a few improvements have been necessary since they were largely stationed in south-east and east Germany and the flying personnel has only a small leavening of men with experience of war against another major power.

R.A.F. Superiority

The R.A.F. in the Middle East grows stronger still and one observer I consulted considers it doubtful indeed that the Luftwaffe can ever hope to match the power of the R.A.F. in the East without dangerously weakening its position in the West.

In the West the new Spitfire and Hurricane types which have now taken the air in the vanguard are bigger and more powerful, and are causing the Germans increasing worry, as no doubt are the later types of bombers raiding Germany by night.

For the moment that worry may be confined to the propaganda effect of British sweeps over the Continent but the Germans well know that these daylight thrusts are likely to have a more profound effect as they grow bigger and more persistent.

On the timing of the new offensive in the West, for which the R.A.F. and the Luftwaffe are clearly assembling their forces, the scope of the Second World War may well depend.—Reuter.

ADMIRAL NOMURA MAKES HIS BOW

WHEN PRESIDENT Roosevelt yesterday received the new Japanese Ambassador to Washington, Admiral Nomura, the President took note, it is stated, of the serious strain on Japanese-American relations.

The President, however, welcomed Admiral Nomura's assurance that he was resolved "to achieve a better understanding" and thereby "to preserve the peace of the Pacific."

When presenting his credentials to the White House Admiral Nomura was accompanied by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

During the interview Admiral Nomura referred to the fact that "recent developments in Japanese-American relations have unfortunately been the cause of considerable concern on both sides of the ocean."

"It is necessary now more than ever," he added, "to bring about a better understanding of each other's position in order to secure the interests and well-being of our two nations, thereby preserving peace in the Pacific and main-

CROSS-CHANNEL GUN DUEL CONTINUING

A cross-Channel artillery duel took place yesterday when German long-range artillery on the French coast resumed their "nuisance" shelling of the south-east coast for the fourth successive day.

Shells fell in the Dover area but no damage was done and there were no casualties. British long-range guns returned the fire.—Reuter.

SURVEY OF BRITAIN'S WAR PLANS

The survey of Government's economic and financial war plans has been brought to an end.

Lord Stamp, who in July, 1939, undertook the work with the assistance of Mr. H. G. Henderson and Professor Henry Clay, has reported to the Prime Minister that having regard to the various developments which have taken place in the field covered by their survey the work might now be ended.

The Prime Minister has expressed warm thanks to Lord Stamp and his colleagues for the valuable help they have given during the past 18 months in ascertaining the gaps in Government's economic and financial plans and pointing out any inconsistencies in the war plans of the various Government departments.

Although the work of survey has been brought to an end, Lord Stamp has agreed to place his services at the disposal of Government as and when required in an advisory capacity on economic questions.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI BRITON IN GAMBLING CASE

Found guilty of using his premises "for unlawful gaming," W. Hawkins was fined £5 by Magistrate C. H. Haines in the British Police Court in Shanghai. The accused, who maintained his innocence throughout the three-day trial, was given time to pay his fine.

Hawkins was charged with operating a roulette wheel in a Seymour Road den, and in a three-room suit in the Burlington Hotel. He is alleged to have moved his establishment from Seymour Road to the hotel, "due to police pressure."

In passing judgment the magistrate stated: "I am going to impose a fine on you, as you seem to believe that you can engage in this sort of thing without liability as long as you keep it private." He then quoted from a legal precedent, which opined that private gambling of certain kinds, such as roulette, was unlawful when engaged in regularly.

Hawkins's Defence

Hawkins's entire defence rested upon a statement made from the dock, in which he denied his guilt and questioned the accuracy of the statements made by the Chinese witnesses as they were all waiting judgment on the same charge in the First Special District Court.

Before considering the evidence, Magistrate Haines declared that as these witnesses were alleged confederates of the accused and as their evidence was uncorroborated, he would examine the testimony with care.

In the reading of Hawkins's record, prior to the court's passing sentence, it was brought out that he had a previous conviction on an illegal gaming charge.

WASTED BREAD LEADS TO FINE

A housewife was fined five shillings at Ipswich for wasting bread.

A Food Ministry official said that as a result of complaints he called at the home of Mrs. E. M. Oxborrow, of Bredfield Street, Woodbridge, and found in the back garden a newly-dug piece of ground. Two feet down he found a bushel of bread.

Mrs. Oxborrow pleaded guilty and offered no explanation.

It was stated that the case was brought as a warning, and that the Ministry of Food did not ask for a heavy penalty.

BOMBED BRIDE: ARCH OF SPLINTS

Two young lovers who had narrowly escaped death in the war were married at Portsmouth. They left the church beneath an archway of splints held by A.R.P. workers.

The bride was an ambulance driver, Ivy Anthony, who four months ago was buried when a bomb hit a first-aid post. She lost an eye.

The bridegroom was telegraphist Albert Hadley, who belongs to Birmingham. He has just returned from the Far East and on his voyage survived a torpedo attack.

SEVERE COLD IN CHANGSHA

Changsha is experiencing the severest cold for the past 10 years. There was a heavy fall of snow yesterday.—Central News.

DOUBTS IN TOKYO

Grave Misgivings Over German Ability To Win Must Face The Facts

THE TOKYO NEWSPAPER "MIYAKO SHIMBUN" YESTERDAY PUBLISHED AN ARTICLE EXPRESSING GRAVE MISGIVINGS OVER GERMANY'S ABILITY TO WIN THE WAR, THE WRITER POINTING OUT THAT ALTHOUGH GERMANY HAD ACCUMULATED STOCKS OF OIL, RUBBER AND SO FORTH THESE WERE STEADILY BEING CONSUMED.

Despite the resources of occupied countries and Rumania and assistance from the Soviet, stocks were bound to dwindle, whereas Britain, with vast colonies behind her and close relations with America, remains a "have" country as before.

From this and the danger of European famine and disturbances in the occupied territories, the writer concludes that Hitler must attempt a quick decision, which means an invasion of England.

He continues: "Strategically landing operations are the most difficult of difficult operations, and despite the narrowness of the Channel it would still be little short of a miracle.

"How is Germany going to do it?"

"We know the German air force is excellent but there is no reason to close the eyes to the pertinacity and thoroughness of the British air force.

Key To The War

"Was it not a fact that Britain succeeded in withdrawing 300,000 troops from Flanders, due to the fact that the daring of the British fighters enabled them to withstand the Luftwaffe, rather than the fortune of bad weather?"

The writer says the key to the war is whether Germany can obtain control of the air.

German raiders are now concentrating on the destruction of British air power, but a great obstacle to this is the increased American aid.

A Difficult Operation

In conclusion the writer says: "Each day's delay means that much disadvantage.

"Will Germany brave the thick fog of Dover and venture a blitzkrieg? If she does and if we consider that for the conquest of England she would need to transport at least 300,000 troops, what a difficult operation it will be."—Reuter.

ISLE CLAIMS WAR RECORD

The people of Holy Island, historic spot off the coast of Northumberland, throw out a challenge—they claim to have a higher percentage of their men serving in the Forces than any other island around the shores of Britain.

Holy Island's population is 220. Fifty men are now either in the Navy, R.A.F. or Army. Latest recruit is forty-four-year-old Horace Cromarty, father of eight children.

Warden Aged 74

The war has hit Holy Island badly. Defence measures killed its summer tourist trade, and now the loss of so many young fishermen has stopped its fishing industry. To-day it is bravely carrying on—an island of women and old men.

But those left at home are doing their bit. The island has its own Home Guard. They have rifles and machine-guns, but as yet no uniforms.

The air raid warden is seventy-four-year-old John Wilson. "We

BEASTLY PERSON

"I think you are a beastly person."

"This is a mean and horrible offence. The country has no use for people like you in these times."

Mr. John Watson, chairman said that at Southwark Juvenile Court to a sixteen-year-old boy who was alleged to have confessed that he had obtained £4 from a public assistance board by telling them that his mother and sister had been killed, his home destroyed by a bomb and that he had been left destitute.

The boy, who had been found guilty with his mother at Greenwich Police Court on a charge of looting a damaged and evacuated house, asked for the second offence to be taken into consideration.

DISPUTE BETWEEN INDIA AND CEYLON

FULL SUPPORT to the Raj in the attitude taken during exploratory conversations last November between India and Ceylon regarding the possibility of formal trade negotiations, was expressed by a resolution adopted by the Central Assembly, moved by Sir Raza Ali, ex-Agent-General for South Africa.

The November conversations broke down owing to fundamental differences on the question of the status of Indian residents in Ceylon. The Ceylonese delegation insisted that steps be designed to secure an immediate reduction in the existing 900,000 Indian residents in Ceylon.

The Raj, however, adhered to the view that the claim of equality in citizenship should be based on the same principles as they consistently urged to respect in other countries in the British Commonwealth where Indians settled, namely, full citizenship rights covering the whole political and economical field could be claimed by all Indians who could establish proof of a prescribed period of residence and permanent interest in the country.

Vote Of Censure

The resolution appreciated the message sent by the Governor of Ceylon to the State Council emphasising the undertakings by His Majesty's Government and the Ceylon Government to the Raj and stressing the importance, particularly in present circumstances, of nothing being done by the Government or the people of Ceylon to endanger the good relations between the two countries.

The Ceylon State Council passed a vote of censure of the Governor's message. — Reuter.

PROFIT RAMP AMID BOMBED HOUSES

The war profiteers are at work in Heartbreak Street. Groups of men are on a new racket—buying salvaged property from the wrecked homes of the poor.

Their sales-talk is a form of terror propaganda, easily put over on honest working people harassed and temporarily penniless.

How are you going to pay your club money? What are you going to do about the rent that's owing? How about your butcher's bill? You'll still have to pay, you know. These are the arguments they use.

The homeless, in fear of debt, overcome by sudden tragedy, agree. They sell out.

A radio dealer said: "I have seen radio sets I would have given signs for going at 10s."

haven't got a siren, but I can soon let the 'town' know if there is any danger," he said.

200 AXIS STEAMERS SKULK IN HARBOUR

ALTOGETHER 233 German and Italian ships, totalling over 1,000,000 tons are sheltering in neutral harbours, according to latest figures computed in London yesterday.

These ships are free to leave but are deterred by the hazards awaiting them at sea.

Though some have moved from one neutral port to another neighbouring harbour, only one German ship has reached Germany from such ports since September, while at least five have been sunk or scuttled in the attempt.

Twenty-eight ships, of which 26 are Italian, are sheltering in United States harbours, 24 (including 16 Italian) are in Brazil, and 20 (of which 17 are Italian) are in Argentina.

There are 38 in other South American ports, including 21 Italian.

While these vessels are separated by 3,000 miles from safe waters it is noteworthy that 31 German and 13 Italian vessels remain in metropolitan ports of Spain.

Moreover five German and 13 Italian ships remain in the Canaries and one German and one Italian in the Azores, without seeking to return to their home ports. — Reuter.

96, GAVE UP HER BED TO BOMBED

Ninety-six-year-old Mrs. T. Deakin, of The Mahse, Honley, Yorks, has given up her bed and bedroom for evacuees bombed out of their homes in London.

Mrs. Deakin, who lives with her daughter and son-in-law, a Congregational minister, insisted upon giving up her bedroom to a London mother and her two young children.

A bed for Mrs. Deakin has been rigged up in the spare room.

NAZI AIR INACTIVITY OVER BRITAIN

Enemy aircraft, flying singly, dropped bombs at a point in north-east Scotland and in Kent yesterday but caused no damage or casualties, says an Air Ministry communique.

During patrol activity in the Straits of Dover in the morning an enemy fighter was shot down. One British fighter is missing.—Reuter.

GRANNIE HAS A GRANNIE

Mrs. Nellie Wright, aged forty-three, wife of William Wright, a miner, of Stubbs Road, Wombwell, Yorks, is a grannie with a grannie.

Her grand-mother is Eliza Hague, aged eighty-two, of George Square, Wombwell. Youngest of the five generations is Marie, aged fifteen months, daughter of Mrs. Wright's son.

None of the five representatives of the five generations has ever lived outside Wombwell.

BRITISH COTTON DECISION

The British Government has decided to become the sole importer of all growths of raw cotton, stated a notice issued yesterday afternoon on the Liverpool Cotton Exchange.

The decision is the result of six months of negotiations between representatives of the Liverpool and Manchester Cotton Association and the Cotton Controller and the Ministry of Supply.

Negotiations are proceeding so that the Ministry and Cotton Controller will be able to use the services of the two associations in the purchase and ultimate distribution of raw cotton.

The position in regard to the future market and unfilled contracts is being carefully considered.

It is estimated that some 50,000 cotton workers will be affected.—Reuter.

DIVE IN DITCH TO ESCAPE BOMBS DROWNED

A man believed to have died by drowning was the only casualty when two low-flying attacks were made by single Junkers 88 planes on an East Anglian town.

The man threw himself into a ditch as bombs fell, and was buried by debris from a crater. Dug out twenty minutes afterwards, he appeared to have been drowned.

The first planes glided out of low cloud over a holiday camp, dropping four heavy bombs. No buildings were hit, but several were damaged by blast.

This plane was engaged by a machine-gun post, the crew of which claim to have hit it. They saw a trail of black smoke come from the raider as it flew out to sea.

The other Junkers appeared about 100 feet above the town, dropping four bombs, which damaged windows by blast.

Both raiders used their machine-guns in reply to the ground defences.

BRITISH SUCCESS IN SOMALILAND

OPERATIONS FOR the reduction of Keren, in Eritrea, are proceeding while British troops continue their progress in difficult country towards Arreza, says a communique issued in Cairo yesterday.

In Abyssinia, in cooperation with British activities, patriot forces are steadily extending the spheres of their control.

On other fronts there is no change in the situation.

It is announced in Nairobi that an attack by East African troops on the important post of Afmadu (Italian Somaliland) on Tuesday was successful.

"We suffered no losses and much material was captured," the communique continues, adding:

Bulo Taken

"Early on Thursday, East African troops made an entirely successful attack on Bulo Erile, an Italian post on the Juba River, the enemy abandoning the position after first strong resistance.

"The material captured includes four armoured cars."

In the whole of the remainder of this (Italian Somaliland) theatre, South African Air Force units are cooperating and are rapidly establishing air superiority.—Reuter.

HER SAVINGS FOR HOSPITAL

A tiny, grey-haired woman, her hands clearly indicating that she worked for her living, walked into Guy's Hospital, London, and handed to an official a bundle of 150 21 notes.

The sum represented her savings for more than twenty years.

"She would not give her name," the official said. "She simply said there was so much misery and so many people less fortunate than herself, that she thought she should give the money to us, as we could apply it more usefully than she could."

She is a widow. There of her sons served in the last war, and one was killed. Another son is waiting to be called up.

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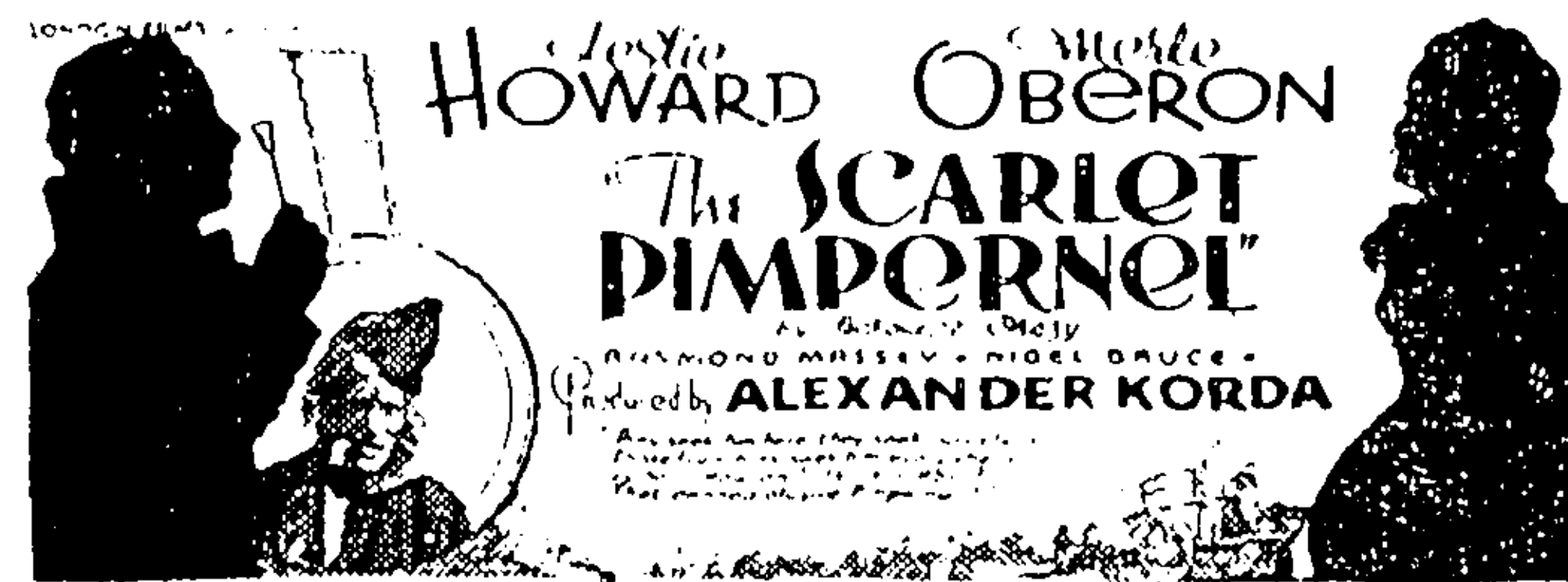
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BRITISH SMASHING OF AXIS AIR BASES IN RHODES

ANOTHER HEAVY attack on the Italian island of Rhodes was announced in yesterday's official communique issued by R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East, which states that on Wednesday night heavy R.A.F. bombers attacked the harbour at Rhodes.

Several fires were started at the junction of the mole and naval harbour, which was still burning when the British aircraft left.

The communique mentions attacks on aerodromes at Tirana, Durazzo, and in the Tepelini area and at Duki. Many direct hits were obtained on military targets and a number of fires started.

Bombs were dropped on a military camp north-west of Duki with direct hits on three buildings and a motor transport column. Considerable damage was also caused to military concentrations south of Duki.

Military objectives at Elbasan were also successfully attacked.

Nazi Raid On Benghazi

In the Berat area British bombers were intercepted by a formation of Italian fighters, two of which were shot down. Two British bombers failed to return from these operations.

It is now reported that a further 14 unserviceable aircraft were discovered at Benina and 40 at Berka.

The enemy raided Benina aerodrome during the last two days but only slight damage was caused.

During Wednesday night Benghazi was attacked by enemy aircraft, believed to be German. Some damage was caused to civil buildings.

In Italian East Africa British aircraft continued to support the army offensive in the Keren region. Direct hits were registered on the railway station at Keren and a considerable quantity of bombs were dropped on enemy troop concentrations near Mount Amba.

Malta Battle

British fighters encountered an enemy plane and a number of enemy fighters over Malta on Thursday. The Junkers was hit by A.A. fire and was last seen losing height with smoke pouring from the engine, and it is very doubtful whether it can have reached base.

Except for two bombers in Albania all our aircraft returned safely from all these operations.—Reuter.

ASKED FOR WOOL, SHE CUT OFF HER HAIR

An appeal to children to gather scraps of wool from hedges and fences has resulted in a queer assortment of parcels being sent to the Wool Control headquarters at Bradford.

A Welsh woman sent her hair, which she had cut off, "to aid my country." A woman in the South-East of England sent a parcel of clippings from her dog's coat.

Other people have sent combs from rabbits' coats, and sheepskin rugs.

Mr. G. Pennington, chief executive officer of the wool control, told a reporter:—

"The response to the appeal has been enormous and not quite what we expected, although many children have sent us parcels of wool weighing over 50lb., which must have taken some gathering."

SNORERS' CORNER

"Shelter snorers" constitute a new social problem—but the Savoy Hotel, London, has gone a long way towards solving it.

Guests who snore in the shelter under the hotel are tactfully asked if they mind sleeping in a sound-proof cubicle.

"Mr. A—snorers," may be noted on the list of guests who sleep on mattresses on the floor during night raids; so Mr. A— is placed in the corner with the other snorers, so that other people are not disturbed.

"We used to wake snoring guests and ask them if they would mind not disturbing people," an official at the hotel told a reporter. "But

R.A.F. PUTS RHODES OUT OF ACTION

The heavy R.A.F. attack on the harbour of Rhodes Island on Wednesday night follows five smashing aerial attacks on the Island's aerodromes in exactly one week, writes Reuter's Air Correspondent.

This change of objective is interesting. The R.A.F. may be satisfied that the damage caused to the aerodromes disposes of the threat of their use by either Italian or German planes for some time.—Reuter.

once we had found out who were the snorers we found it more convenient to separate them.
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KINDERGARTEN HOSTELS IN ENGLAND

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They will provide for children under school age from bombed districts whose mothers cannot accompany them to reception areas, and for old and invalid people without friends or relatives to look after them.

Government agents have been negotiating for the purchase of mansions and similar buildings capable of housing at least 200 evacuees with a staff of 20 or 35 to look after them.

Centres for children would include dormitories, crèches, and kindergarten under the control of nurses and teachers. Old people's settlements would be practically self-supporting.

Negotiations are in progress for taking over a complete model village in which the under fives would be brought up in a communal atmosphere free from every trace of war.

SHANGHAI WOMEN AID FREE FRENCH

THE HEROIC STRUGGLE of General de Gaulle and his loyal army to free France from the enemy invaders is echoed throughout the Far East in the patriotic activities of the Free French and their sympathisers. Gathered together under the ancient banner of La Croix de Lorraine, a symbol famous in France since the days of Joan of Arc and now proudly borne aloft by those fighting for the integrity of France, the Free French are waging war with every weapon they possess.

As their motto they have chosen the three words "France Quand Meme," ("France For Ever") and from Shanghai to Bombay, small gift badges in red, white and blue, emblazoned with these words which may some day be as well known as the old cry "Vive la France," are worn by the followers of General de Gaulle.

The whole world knows to-day of the dramatic answer of General de Gaulle's appeal from London for men and supplies to carry on the resistance against Germany. From every corner of the French Empire, the able-bodied French youth answered the call to arms; money and supplies found their way to the war chest. In no other city has the response been more encouraging than in Shanghai.

As soon as the armistice was announced, a telegram was sent from this city by the Association des Anciens Combattants to the French Government expressing the veterans' desire to continue the war. When the Government

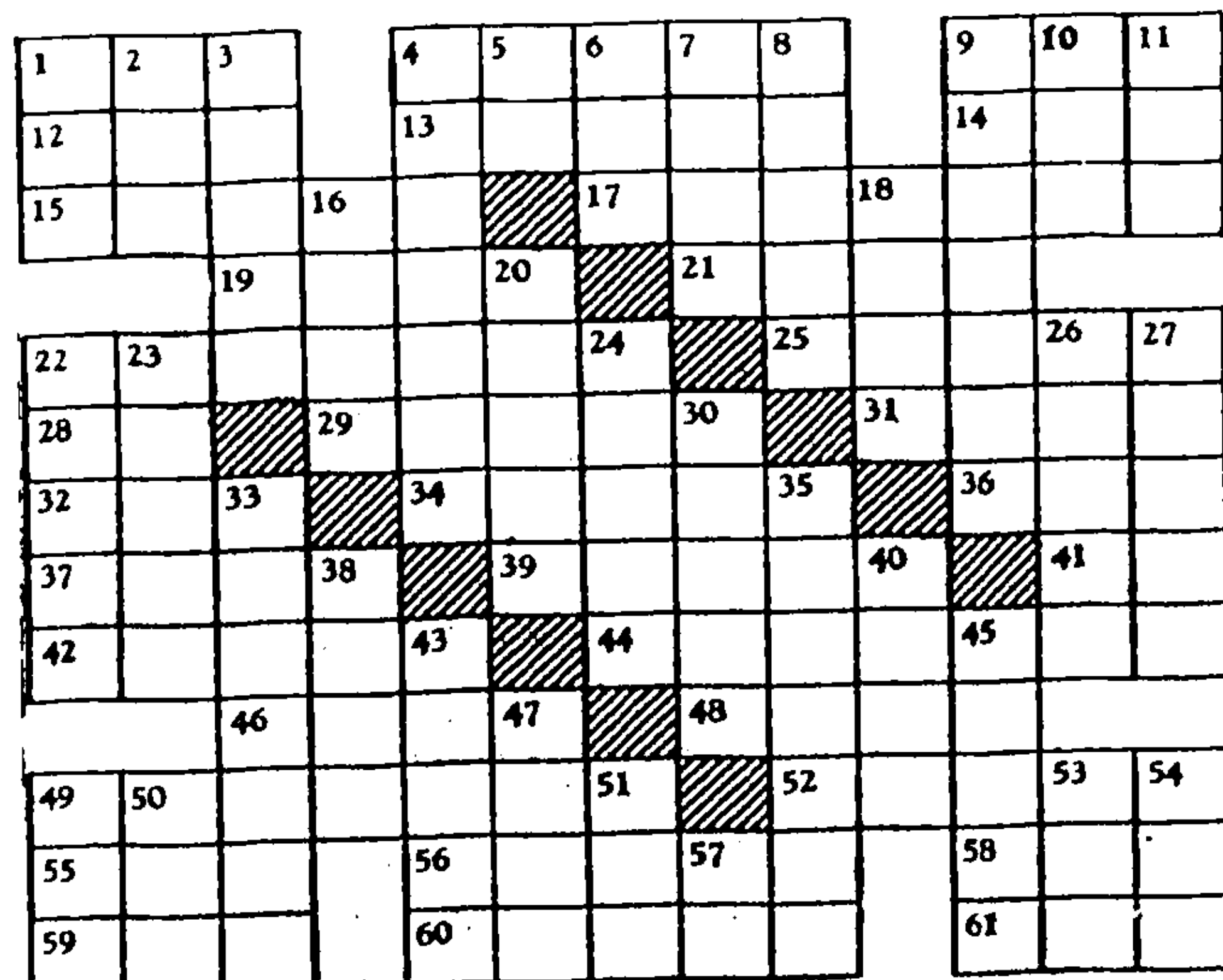
at Vichy decided to lay down their arms, a great many of the French citizens here joined the de Gaulle movement.

In to-day's world, war is not a matter for the men to carry on by themselves, and so, under the leadership of a Frenchwoman, Mrs. W. Leonard, a ladies' committee was formed in Shanghai which took for its title "La Croix de Lorraine."

The fund "La Croix de Lorraine" was only started five months ago, and since that time the activities of the Committee have been many. A dinner dance, personally sponsored by Mrs. Leonard was held a few weeks ago, the results of which were over \$6,000. The de Gaulle Free French forces stationed in London received 3,000 knitted garments and 300,000 cigarettes through the work of the Shanghai Committee and in addition, \$1,000 was remitted for the Christmas Fund.

The de Gaulle movement is rapidly gaining in strength. Mrs. Leonard described it as "a strong chain getting a new link forged in it each day," and added that "the women's organisation in China must keep busy to supply comforts for each recruit."

OUR 10-MINUTE CROSS-WORD



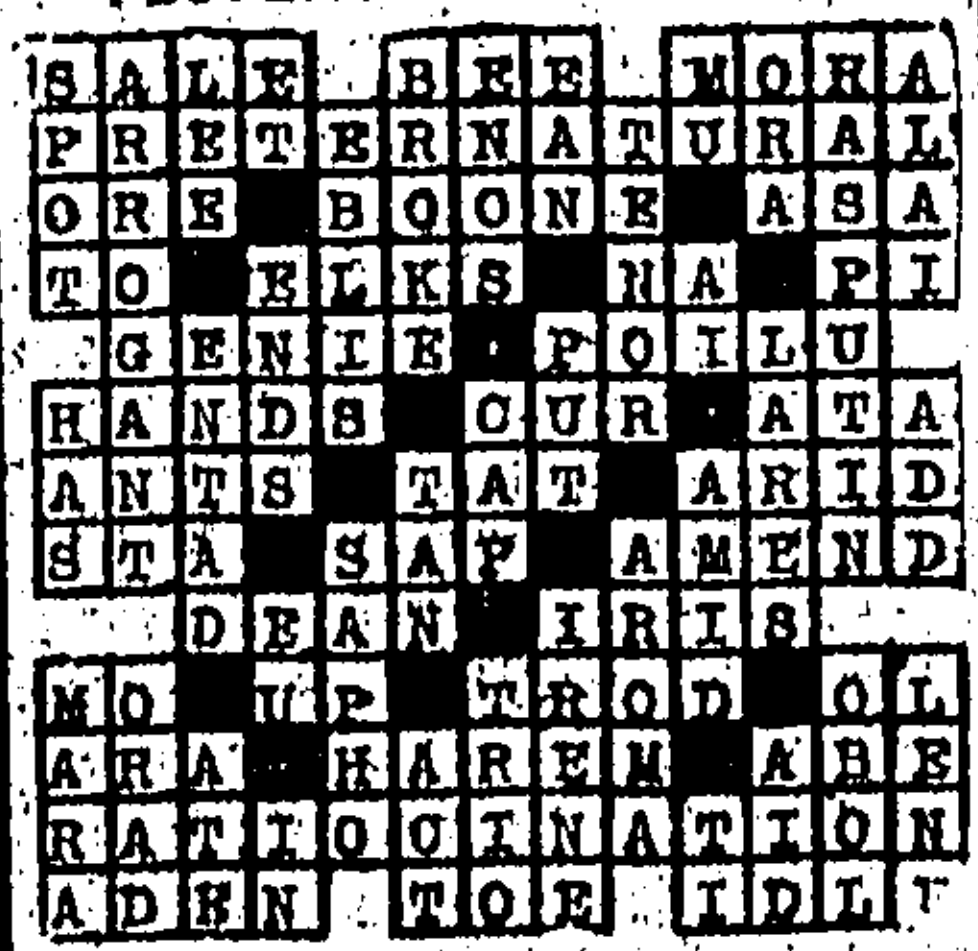
HORIZONTAL

- 1 Moccasin
- 4 Mother of Lavinia
- 8 East-Indian tree
- 12 Boring tool
- 13 To bow
- 14 Barge
- 15 Sly person
- 17 Cost
- 19 Armadillo
- 21 Wrongs
- 22 Sailor
- 23 Hebrew prophet
- 24 Italian article
- 29 Descendant
- 31 Performed by one voice
- 32 Portuguese title
- 34 Toward the centre
- 36 Island of the Cyclades
- 37 Dye plant
- 39 Staid
- 41 Preposition
- 42 Hair-line
- 44 Mischievous
- 46 To affirm
- 48 Edge
- 49 British territory in Africa

VERTICAL

- 1 Dance step
- 2 Beard
- 3 Obvious
- 4 Obliquely
- 5 Colloquial mother
- 6 Beverage
- 7 Vehicle for hire
- 8 Sufficient
- 9 Large house
- 10 Bitter vetch
- 11 To piece out
- 16 Sacred bull
- 18 Cloth measures
- 20 Checks
- 22 Fabulously rich person
- 23 Desolate
- 24 Revolving part of a machine
- 26 Also-called
- 27 Archaic truth
- 30 Luxurious rich man
- 33 Illusions
- 35 To bring in to disavour
- 38 Animate
- 40 To destroy
- 43 Untamed
- 45 Adult insect
- 47 Mature
- 49 Supporting pin
- 50 Hawaiian bird
- 51 Sunken fence
- 53 And not
- 54 Goddess of mischief
- 57 Exists

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



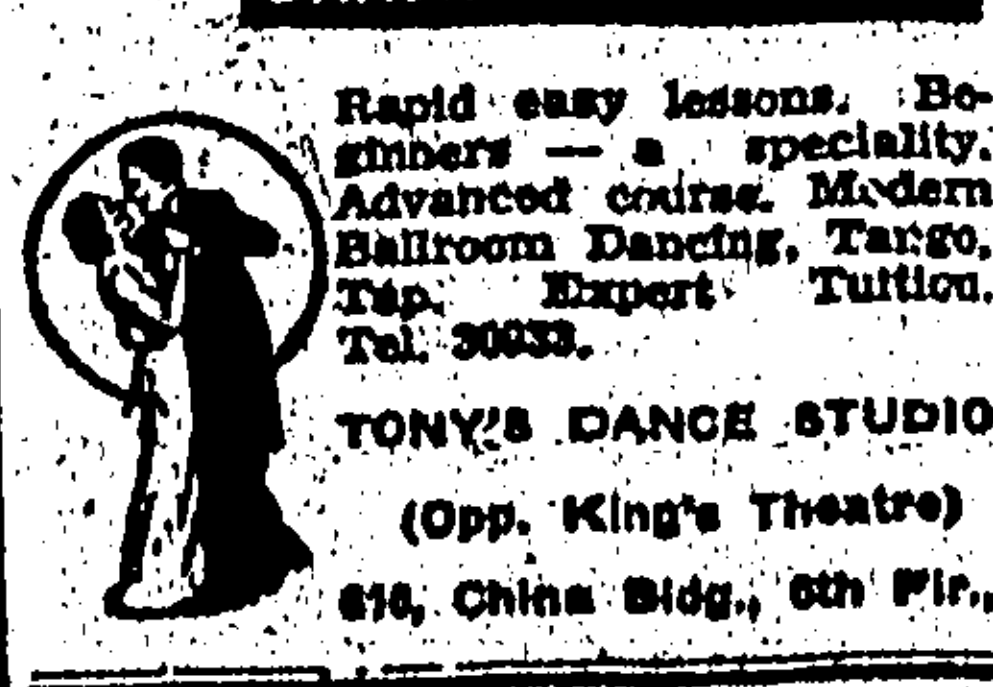
RECLOSING OF YANGTSE AND PEARL RIVERS

Minister of Finance Isao Kawada, appearing before the house committee deliberating on the proposed revision of the national mobilisation act, declined to comment on suggestions by Umekichi Nakamura that the Pearl and Yangtse rivers be "reclosed" to general navigation "in view of the changed situation."

Kawada declined to reply on the grounds the matter was a subject of diplomatic and military procedure. Although the Yangtse has not been opened to general foreign shipping, a few boats are permitted on the Pearl River.

Kawada told the committee Japan would cooperate with the Nanking government on "sealing" the question of Chungking currency which is still circulating in the central and south China areas under Japanese occupation.

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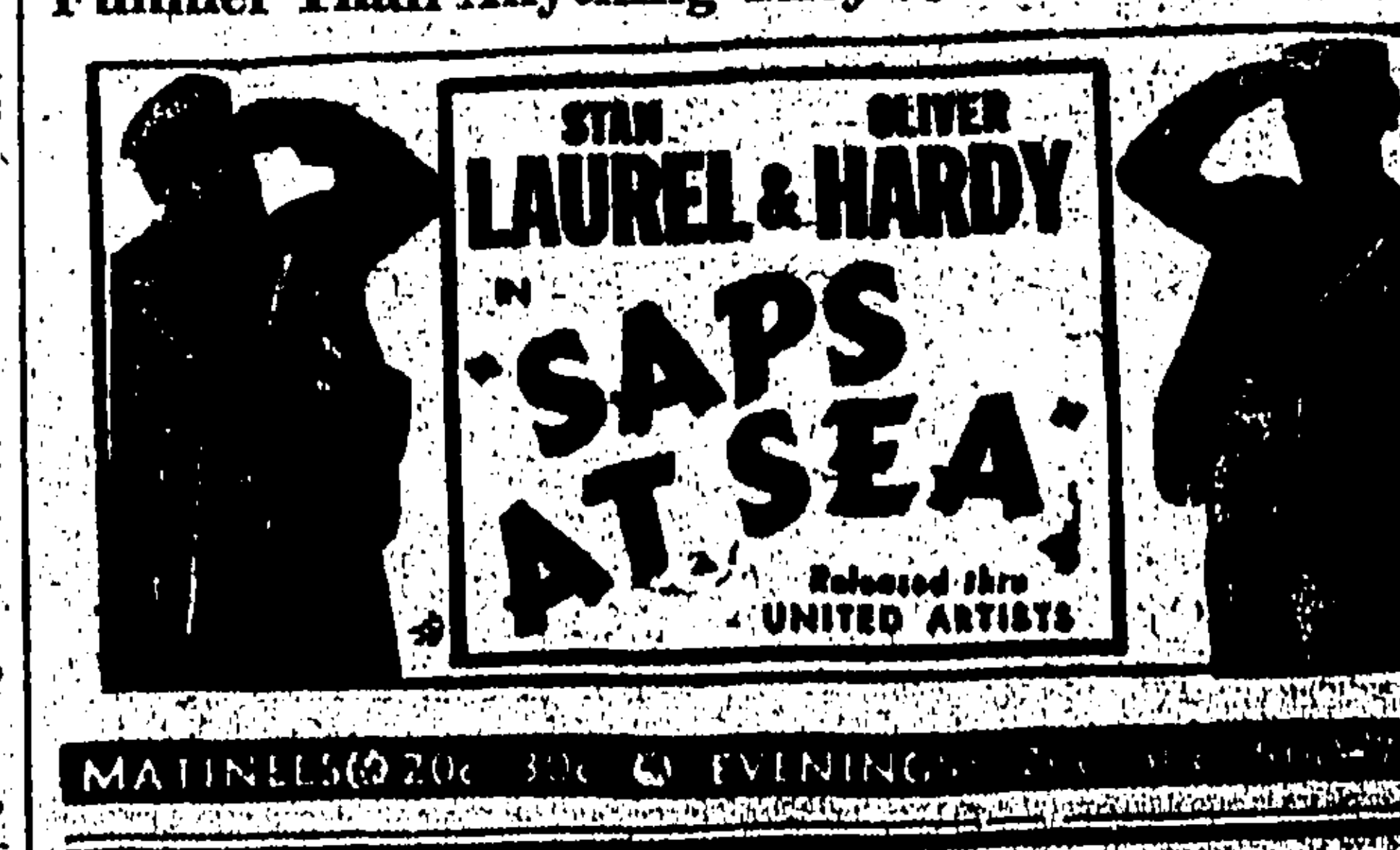
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JOINT AIR FORCE TO 'OBLITERATE' GERMANY

U.S. PLAN TO END WAR IN 1941

(By Anthony Gibbs in the "Daily Sketch")

SENSATIONAL DETAILS have come to my knowledge of a nine-month plan which the State Department in Washington is said to have prepared in collaboration with naval, air force and military leaders in America to enter the war and finish it by next autumn.

The plan calls for four operations, each of which follows and is dependent upon the previous one.

Firstly, the first move, of a preparatory nature, is for the U.S. to acquire bases by negotiation with Britain and also the eastern seaboard from Newfoundland down through Bermuda to the Caribbean.

Simultaneously Alaska is to be heavily mobilised, and a Canadian corridor negotiated with Canada for the unlimited transport of military material between Alaska and the U.S.

"In return" for this, the training of R.A.F. personnel is to be permitted on U.S. territory.

More destroyers are to be handed over to the British Navy, and Flying Fortresses and the Sperry gyroscope bombsight made available.

At the same time, negotiations are to be undertaken for the establishment of United States bases on Dutch territory in the East Indies, the acquisition of which is regarded as so important that if any difficulty occurs through Japanese action or any other cause they will be occupied.

2,000 A month

By which time plane production will definitely be at the rate of 2,000 a month, and public opinion will have become accustomed to the idea of participation by such devices as the Lord Lothian interview and the subsequent repudiation.

There will be an incident with Japan, either over the Dutch East Indies or aid to China, or both, and the Japanese navy will be stripped of all influence in the Pacific.

An American expeditionary force will land at Dakar, and drive Mussolini out of Africa, while the British assist the Italian knockout blow by offensive action from the Mediterranean.

U.S. Force at Dakar

The U.S. Air Force, in collaboration with the British Bomber Command, will knock Germany into squares, and proceed methodically and remorselessly to obliterate it square by square, starting at the top left-hand corner.

It should be emphasised that the plan is only a plan, which may or may not be put into execution, but much of the preliminary work has already been put into effect.

SEEKING SWEET SCENTS

Nazi bombers having twice struck at their factories, an English firm of perfumers is seeking a big new factory in the cause of Britain's export trade.

The fall of France was a severe blow to perfume makers, for from there came jasmine and oak moss, bases of captivating scents.

English women might not notice this loss so much, for the home trade is now restricted to 25 per cent. But the export market is clamouring for perfume.

Palestine and Iraq have come to the rescue, and a representative of Bourjols, Ltd., told a reporter that jasmine and oak moss are now coming from there.

"We shall also investigate the New Forest as a possible source of oak moss," he said. "Our French factory is in Nazi hands, and here in England we are taking over the markets they used to supply."

ACCUSES WIFE'S COUNSEL

The former husband of pretty Mrs. Charlotte Joslyn, of Chicago, has accused her of having immoral relations with her counsel during their divorce action.

Mrs. Joslyn was granted a divorce on the grounds that she was deserted by her husband, George Joslyn, who was ordered to pay £6,000 fees to her counsel, Thomas Hart Fisher.

"Should Not Be Paid"

Joslyn's lawyer contends: "Immoral action on the part of counsel destroyed the relationship of attorney and client."

"Therefore he should be paid nothing."

"I have witnesses who will tell of Fisher's visits to his client's bedroom."

The Duchess of Kent has completed her 50 hours' hospital experience at University College Hospital and other nursing training, and has been enrolled as a member of the Civil Nursing Reserve.

BOY, 11, DARED TO GO WHERE ADULTS FEARED

"THIS IS THE HERO of Guy's Hospital," the nurse said proudly, pointing to a bed in which was a very small eleven-year-old-boy.

"He saved his brother and sister, aged six and two, from a building due to collapse at any moment, and directed a rescue party to where his mother was trapped."

"Because of the terrible risks he dared his mother, brother and sister were saved."

A mere wisp of a boy, Arthur Beecham, of Bermondsey, S. E., fair-haired, blue-eyed, told his story.

"We were sheltering under the big billiard tables at a club," Arthur said, "when the bomb fell. I couldn't find my brother and sister, so I crawled from under the table and began to look for them."

"People were shouting, moaning everywhere."

Was Very Dark

"Suddenly I looked up and saw the stars, and knew I was out in the street. I could feel something warm on my chest."

"When I went back to the billiard room someone told me not to enter because the place

NEW NAZI LIGHTS A FAILURE

The Germans have tried out aerial searchlights in their night fighters and have proved them to be a failure in finding bombers.

The R.A.F. long ago decided that aerial searchlights were worse than useless, but the Germans persisted, and when, earlier this year, a Messerschmitt 110 so equipped caught a British bomber in his light the exploit attracted considerable attention.

Since then our bombers have noticed no further attempts to use the method.

As Aid To Shooting

The German night-fighter defence chiefs have apparently decided that the searchlight, when used to hunt, gives away the position of the hunter and lets the hunted bomber keep at a safe distance.

But aerial searchlights can still be used, not to hunt, but to put a spotlight on the bomber when it has been discovered by other means. The night-fighter's beam, it is felt in some quarters, would help the pilot considerably in his shooting and might interfere with the accuracy of the bomber's gunners.

There would still be, however, a disadvantage. The first burst of a bomber's guns might put out the fighter's light, leaving the fighter pilot temporarily blinded.

ARMY SENDS MAPS BY WIRE

Experts have developed facsimile transmission to enable Army maps, photographs and military messages of all kinds to be sent by wire with speed and accuracy.

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Watch As Reward

"Blimey, son!" he said. "You'd better come along with me!"

"I wondered where all the blood on my chest and jersey was coming from."

"A boy smothered in blood from a throat wound was real enough for us," the nurse said afterwards.

"He went in where adults were afraid to go in search of his mother."

"The Friends of Guy's Hospital have started a subscription to buy Arthur a watch."



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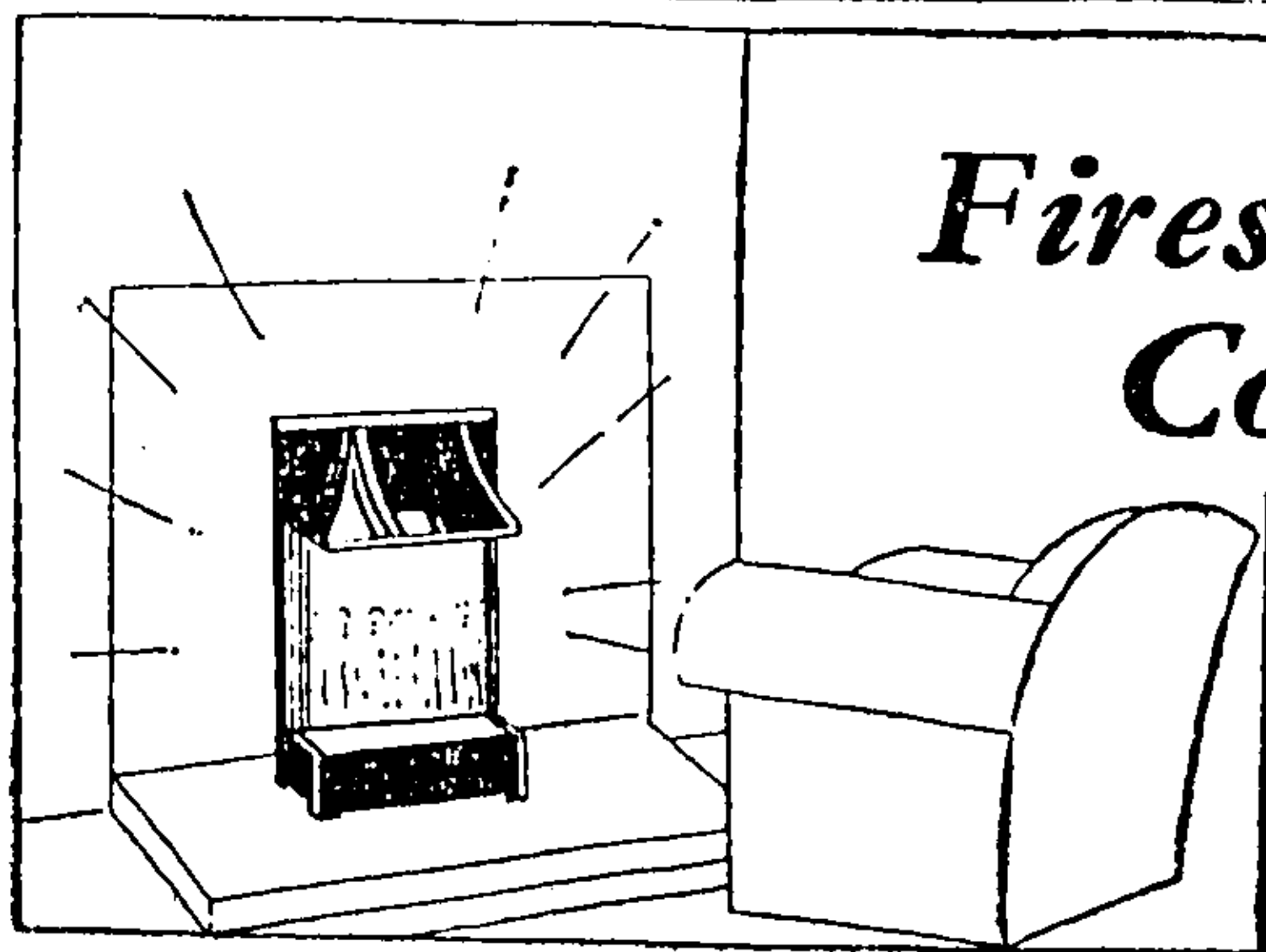
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NAZI SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN

Mr. Wendell Willkie's insistence in Washington that Britain's greatest need at the moment is more destroyers and then more destroyers is a reminder of the harsh realities of the strategic situation.

Britain has the solid satisfaction that for some weeks now losses of shipping have been appreciably lower than the average, but there is no assurance that that happy position will continue indefinitely, and there is reason for preoccupation with the problem of meeting, when weather conditions improve, a serious challenge by combined air and submarine campaigns to Britain's lifeline.

At the heart of the situation is German possession of bases in occupied France which permit planes to spot British convoys 500 to 600 miles out at sea. Whether they decide upon a bombing attack or not, their first step is to notify the fleet of small submarines lurking at sea or at Brest and Lorient and other points in France.

Dependable reports indicate that the German submarine fleet is larger than anticipated and that in December, 85 were at sea at one time. This probably represented Germany's maximum effort at that time, but it is expected that the Spring campaign will begin with well over a hundred and as the hours of darkness are reduced, the task of their spotter planes will grow disturbingly easier.

Not that there is any anxiety in Britain. We have faced and defeated submarine campaigns before, with anti-submarine equipment which would to-day be regarded as hopelessly inefficient, and the changed situation in the Mediterranean will undoubtedly permit the Royal Navy to improve the escort position. There is nevertheless a great deal in Mr. Willkie's plea for the release of additional destroyers to Great Britain. The loss rate of British shipping may rise cruelly unless the loss rate among the German submarines is taken to that point where to venture to sea becomes regarded by German seamen as a fifty per cent. suicide trip.

Gaining The Mastery In The War

A stage has now been reached in the air battle over Britain at which it is possible to take stock of the situation with fair promise of accurate summation.

Certainly it is hardly possible to over-estimate the advantages that Hitler holds. His squadrons are able to operate from a forward fringe of conquered soil which makes their flights to main objectives in our country a mere matter of minutes, instead of hours.

In consequence, Nazi bombers can be escorted to their hearts' delight by Messerschmitts and are thus placed, presuming a proper and active cooperation between the two, to inflict a maximum of damage at a minimum of risk.

The Royal Air Force, on the other hand, suffers an exceeding handicap. Targets in enemy territory proper are at such a distance from safe air on this side of the Channel that our own fighters are precluded, owing merely to lack of air endurance, from attendance on the bombers.

Daylight bombing therefore, which is naturally the more efficacious form of air attack, may be undertaken only at great, and sometimes unjustifiable risk, our aircraft on such occasions being liable to interruption during practically the whole period of their flight, both outwards and on return.

We are able, it is true, to escort our bombers as far as the hostile aerodrome establishments on French, and other foreign soil. But these are, in their nature, short flights, partaking always of an element of surprise, and the objectives, looking at the matter exclusively from an air warfare point of view, are invariably of a military significance, the destruction of which cannot be expected to strike at the root of the Nazi air power. It is, in this connection, as if casualties were inflicted in the course of battle on the light advanced forces of the enemy, the main bodies, vastly arrayed in depth, being comparatively safe from danger and even impervious to attack.

★ Advantage To Hitler

A further advantage to Hitler, engendered by the situation, is that his possession of the entire European littoral facing these shores confers on his air forces the ability to come in simultaneously from many different and widely separated points. Thus our defending aircraft must necessarily be scattered as they fly to the attack, while the mere exigencies of replenishment, not to count some slight denudation by reason of their losses, must result in a thinning out in areas overhead which may be those selected by the enemy for his main thrust.

So far daytime air action alone is the subject of this article, and it now remains in that consideration to lay some stress on the greatest disadvantage of all in the existing strategic situation. It is a somewhat subtle point and has not received that mention in press articles bearing on the subject which its extreme importance would appear to ensure. It is this.

★ The Responsibility

In his various, and persistent, daytime air attacks on Britain of heavy calibre last year, chiefly confined to London and the South-East, Hitler was opposed entirely by our fighters, who alone bore the full brunt of the battle in the air, and who alone suffered loss. This is not said to cry down the strenuous, and manly efforts of our anti-aircraft batteries, much less the protective curtain of the balloon barrage. Both indeed play their parts.

But in the consideration of relative air power, of the ebb and flow of casualties inflicted or received, and of, in grand terms,

the Battle of the Air, it is the Hurricanes, the Spitfires and the still too few, Defiants that shoulder the responsibility for success or failure, and on whom must ever rest the burden of the struggle.

In that particular sense, the air fighting over British territory becomes a battle between the Nazi fighter forces and our own. For consider what would happen if our fighters were eventually borne down by weight of numbers, or if their strength became so seriously denuded that the sum total of their powers of resistance became a dwindling quantity. I such a lamentable result were

By
Air-Commodore
L.E.O. Charlton

feasible at all then it is not too much to say that the prospect of invasion would bear a different complexion altogether.

The enemy bombers might then bomb at will, obstructed only by the anti-aircraft guns, a method of defence which, acknowledgedly, would be quite inadequate to cope with the situation. The enemy fighters could then fly low to the attack of whatever objective they selected, either troop formations, civilians in pursuit of their lawful occasions, or columns in movement, by train and road, to the vicinity of the landings.

We would have insufficient fighters with which to bring the Nazi bombers down, to tackle the predatory Messerschmitts as they flew around on mischief bent, and, worst of all, our own bombers, set to the vital task of sending the transports and the barges to the bottom, would be largely at the mercy of the clouds of Nazi fighters detailed for the purpose of preventing them.

Our Air Force, in other words, would be largely, and in time wholly, withdrawn from the fray, leaving the ground and sea forces of the nation to meet the impact of invasion and defeat it, themselves being unprotected from the air. Here is a concrete instance bearing directly on the argument.

★ New Comparison

During the week September 25—October 1 we accounted for 257 enemy aircraft, a number that included the result of the brave day's fighting when 133 were brought down between dawn and dusk. During the same period we ourselves lost 82 machines, all of which, of course, were fighters.

It is true that of the pilots thus involved no less than 36 were eventually reported safe, though it is fair to assume that a large proportion thereof would not be immediately available for further combat.

Let us say then, that as a result of that week's fighting we lost 82 fighters, the pilots of some of which could return later to the fray, while the enemy losses amounted to an all in total of 257.

The result is highly gratifying at first sight, and on numbers, both machines and air crews, we have as usual scored a notable victory in defence. The real point, however, is this!

Of the enemy losses: how many were bombers and how many fighters?

For if, as is very possible indeed, we can assign the round number of 200 to the Nazi bomber losses, remembering that the occasion of the fighting was to repulse an air bombardment, then the result is not so good.

It would then indicate, in fact, that the enemy had lost 57 fighters to our 82, and this, considered as a battle between two fighter forces and bearing con-

stantly in mind the vital role which our fighters have to play, so far from being a victory is in the nature of a reverse.

In a nutshell unless we are able progressively to account for more enemy fighters than of that type of aircraft we lose ourselves, the result, notwithstanding Hitler's bomber losses in the course of combat, is apt to go against us.

It is in that little recognised fact that the kernel of the issue lies, and in the situation, thus fortuitously created for him, lies as well the enemy's main advantage.

★ A Different Tale

So much for the situation by day.

By night there is a different tale to tell. Our night-bomber crews are very highly trained to attack specific targets, and a word here is, perhaps, appropriate on the subject of the reprisal bombing of Berlin.

Such a proceeding is no mere matter of sentiment, founded on a disinclination to occasion wanton waste of life.

If, for instance, we could be assured of prompt and crushing victory if we indiscriminately bombed Berlin would we refrain on humanitarian accounts?

Assuredly not, and well would we deserve defeat if we found it in our hearts to do so.

The totalitarian aspect of this war has been forced on us by our relentless foe, and if our own civilian masses have been thus obliged to stand in the forefront of the battle there can be no objection, on purely military grounds, to the enemy's civilians assuming the same stance.

Military exigency is the crux of the whole affair and, at present, we consider our methods more damaging to the Nazi war machine than would ever be the wholesale bombing of Berlin as an alternative means of compassing the same result.

In this, however, the enemy think differently and he has chosen to assault our capital, and other of our teeming cities, with the obvious intention of breaking our national will to war by bringing about war weariness. Actually he has consolidated our ranks and further fixed our determination at all costs to see the matter through.

But the German is ever a bad psychologist and a poor translator of history, quite unable to conceive that hard won liberty is preferable to life. Our urban populations are showing enormous adaptability to their new way of life, while the ideas of casualty by bomb, of homelessness, and of hardship are become so common amongst them that they are losing the force of fear.

It is, at the same time, of extreme significance, and a matter even for mild reassurance, that Hitler has had recourse to the mass bombing of cities.

★ Fight Shyness

For it means, as plainly as if it were written large, that his day offensives, so promising of result and so well-conceived to achieve their object, have fallen far short of that which was expected of them.

Our fighter force has not been denuded, and the logic of the whole proceeding has been over-set. He miscalculated its strength for one thing, and, for another, the bravery and skill of its personnel, coupled with the excellence of its equipment, has taken him badly by surprise.

There is a growing fight-shyness amongst the Nazi pilots and it has been proved again, this time in our favour, that even in the air mere numbers will not bear down either the spirit of defiance that

our own airmen show or the courage to endure of a stricken populace.

Hitler has undoubtedly experienced a serious setback in the air, inflicted on him by a lesser air force. That part of his war machine which conducts the battle above has been thrown badly out of gear, its natural steps have lost their military sequence, its motive power is being misapplied and there is no longer discernible an ordered progress of events.

★ Utter Ruin

All this has been accomplished by an inferior air power as far as numbers go. But ere long its numbers will be swelling as the Canadian trained personnel continues to come over this Spring and the ensuing months, and as the output of machines, both at home and overseas, increases to a flood.

New types will appear as the days go on to more than answer any improvements that the enemy may have in store.

Parity, that much abused expression, will soon be reached and soon exceeded, and as those days accrue the far-famed "Luftwaffe," already a terribly punished arm of war, will go down to utter ruin before the irresistible onrush of our pilots and air crews flying towards the enemy in veritable hordes.

Before that near day our people will have to endure much. And yet they will endure it, for well they know the price of victory that Hitler would exact and, better still, the abounding cruelties that would accompany the military occupation by the Nazis of our soil.

As it is it only remains for the menace of the night-bomber to be countered by some means or method for our day of victory to dawn. We no longer fear the enemy in the air by day. We have already taken his full measure. Strictly speaking his activities by night do not amount to a military menace, for indiscriminate bombing cannot, in its very nature, cripple a country's war potential, more particularly when so much finished material is being received from overseas and manufactured in regions which will be forever out of Hitler's reach.

★ Night Interception

But we do badly need to relieve the suffering of the populace which is at present the chief recipient of the bombs by night. To that end the country's best brains are applying their talent, and meanwhile, by military device alone, we are progressing in the night interception of the bomber, as the steadily mounting figures for German casualties of late continually show. Meanwhile, also, our own bomber force is successfully, and constantly, engaged in striking at the enemy in places where he stores the essence of his air power.

Results may not be apparent to the uninitiated eye, and weaker ones among us will still clamour for reprisals, but one day soon we will be glad that we went on hammering at the Ruhr, and elsewhere, instead of wasting our valuable resources by copying the enemy's barbarian method. It is not a little that we have accomplished up-to-date.

We have completely altered Hitler's plan of campaign and sent him seeking elsewhere, and in doing so our Air Force can claim, over the period of the enemy's air attacks on Britain, a resounding victory.

Once we have attained material, as well as moral air superiority, it will be the beginning of the end. From that time history will date Hitler's defeat, commencing with a series of crushing reverses in the air, succeeded by a never-ceasing rain of bombs on his munition centres, and ending with the complete collapse of the Nazi war machine.

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ROWED THROUGH ICY SEAS TO FIGHT GERMANS

TWO YOUNG NORWEGIANS who fought against the Germans in Norway, and then escaped by rowing for six days and nights through freezing Arctic seas, have just arrived in Canada to resume the fight against Hitler.

The elder of the two said that he gave up his law studies at Oslo University to fight for the Finns against Russia. When the war was over he returned to find the Germans attacking his country and the Oslo airport being bombed.

He and his companion would not believe it until they saw a truck, in which were three German soldiers, driving furiously through the streets, spraying the pavements with machine-gun bullets.

"We did not know what to do," the young Norwegian said, "but that night I ran into a Norwegian officer who told me to collect all the men I could find and meet him at an agreed rendezvous with our skis.

"For the next three hours I walked about the city, rounding up my friends, pulling some of them out of bed, and just after midnight we ski-marched into a town and received our orders."

Three days later the men were issued with arms and ammunition, and heard King Haakon's dramatic radio speech, in which he said:

"I have twice refused the German demand to surrender. All of you should now fight however and wherever you can"

The young adventurer then described the guerilla warfare against the German invaders, the sallies and the retreats, the bitter fights in the mountain passes and on the treacherous slopes of glaciers.

"Those Courageous Countrywomen"

Four brave Norwegian girls fought with them. "They cooked all the food," he said. "They were wonderful, those courageous countrywomen of mine. We were proud of them."

At length word came that the Germans were executing reprisals on the civil population.

"My friend and I," said this youngster, "made our way back to Oslo after 30 days' fighting.

"Later we managed to reach Greenland."

There the two adventurers chartered a 10-foot rowing boat.

"Early in the morning of Sept. 11 my friend and I set out, rowing in our shirt-sleeves," said the Norwegian.

Icebergs Were Terrifying

"Ice was grinding against the sides of the boat as we rowed, and once there was a terrific crack. It was an iceberg splitting in two about 100 yards from us.

"One part turned completely over in the water. We thought our end had come, but we kept rowing.

"Every now and again we were startled by the ear-splitting crack of ice. In that awful silence it was majestic and terrifying. We shall never forget it.

"On the sixth evening we saw signs of habitation on the mainland. As we made for it a number of kayaks put out, and when we drew ashore we were greeted by nearly 200 Eskimo men, women and children."

SENIOR V.C.'s SON KILLED

Lieutenant-Commander Thomas Harry Hill-Walker, younger son of Major A. R. Hill-Walker, of Maunby Hall, Thirsk, Yorks, senior holder of the Victoria Cross, has been killed in action.

He was thirty-six. Five years ago he married Miss Catherine Balston, of Maidstone, Kent. A daughter was born nearly two years ago.

Major Hill-Walker was twenty-one when he won his V.C. in the Boer War.

TOM-TOMS TRAP WOP CAR ACE

Native tom-toms throbbed messages through the Swaziland bush when natives joined the police in searching for Mario, the Italian racing motorist, who attempted to escape through Swaziland into Portuguese Africa with four other internees in a stolen Government car.

The internees were on their way to military hospital at Kimberley when they overpowered the soldier driving them, bound and gagged him and left him by the roadside.

Mario, travelling almost at the speed to which he was accustomed on graded tracks, tore across country, over the Union border into Swaziland.

Police barricaded the roads. King Sobhuza of the Swazis was asked to help in the hunt and tom-toms sent around a message to Swazi runners.

A lone policeman saw the car approaching at a terrific pace. It tore through a barricade, and although the policeman fired, the driver kept on his mad course.

Hours later the car was found abandoned with the body of one of the internees, an Italian carpenter, who had been shot dead, inside.

Swazis and police encircled the hills and the fugitives were caught in the wild, lion-infested bush.

Associated Press.

KILLER SPARED A BOY OF 7

"Don't shoot me!" a boy aged seven pleaded after he had seen the lodger-murder his mother and sister.

The lodger spared his life committed suicide.

David George Martin, aged seven, gave this evidence in clear tones at the inquest at East Grinstead on his mother, Phyllis Pretertia Martin, forty; his sister Alice Elizabeth Martin, twelve, and the lodger, John Bankhurst, twenty-nine, all of Sackville Gardens, East Grinstead.

David said that because of air raids he was sleeping with his sister in a bed on the floor in a downstairs room.

After Bankhurst had had his breakfast and his father, David Leslie Martin, a gardener, had left for work, Bankhurst walked into the room with a gun.

As his mother screamed he shot her and he then fired two more shots at Betty, who was lying at his side.

Betty tried to hide under the clothes but he fired twice.

Threatened The Girl

"I said, 'Don't shoot me, John,' and he then went upstairs and I heard some more shots.

"Betty told me that Bankhurst had tried to kiss her and she did not like him. He had threatened to shoot Betty before."

David Leslie Martin said that Bankhurst came as a lodger and that about twelve months ago he started to kiss his daughter.

He had warned him if he did it again he would have to leave.

"He tried to kiss her again," Martin said, "and I told him he would have to find fresh lodgings."

The jury returned a verdict of Murder by Bankhurst in the case of the mother and daughter and of self-defence on the man.

The jury gave their fees to the boy and complimented him on the excellent way he had given his evidence.

EDDIE GUERIN, OF DEVIL'S ISLE, IS DEAD

EDDIE GUERIN is dead — Eddie Guerin who rowed to freedom from Devil's Island thirty-six years ago, and gradually fell from spectacular crime to petty thievery, till even the underworld lost respect for him.

Eddie—Thomas Edward—died in hospital in Bury, Lancs. He was eighty.

He had a stroke, and cerebral hemorrhage followed. Before he sank he whispered that he had a wealthy sister in America.

His last conviction was in February; he was charged with being a suspected person loitering with intent, and the sentence was six weeks' gaol.

In 1900 Eddie Guerin, who once said he was an Irishman, broke into a Paris bank and blew up the safe with dynamite. That was why they sent him to Devil's Island for life, to be companion of Dreyfus.

He escaped four years later on a raft with six other fugitives, all of whom died of starvation and fatigue. Eddie rowed on, eventually reached France, then doubled back to America.

In 1906 he was in England, and next year was suddenly the centre of a startling trial, this time as prosecutor. May 1907

viennese Churchill, known as Chicago May, was charged at the Old Bailey with shooting at Eddie with intent to murder him.

Had Betrayed Him

Mr. Justice Darling sent her to prison for fifteen years, and her companion, Charles Smith, to penal servitude for life. Smith fired the shot in Marlborough Street, Russell Square, W. C., the court was told, to stop Eddie's vengeance; he believed Chicago May had betrayed him.

The police kept on Guerin's track to such an extent that they could nearly always pull him in before a planned crime had been committed. He became pick pocket, bag-snatcher.

He declared that the story of Devil's Island followed him "like a ghost," and that the police kept on arresting him to get cheap notoriety. Some years ago Guerin wrote a book entitled "Crime: The Autobiography of a Crook."

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By Order of the Board of Directors.

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary & Manager,
Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1941.

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BRIDGE NOTES

PARTNERSHIP CONFIDENCE

By The Four Aces

The trouble with too many Bridge players is that they have no confidence at all in their partner's ability to take correct action in a difficult situation. As a result they often disregard partner's expressed wishes and make decisions based on their own thirteen cards which really ought to be based on the entire twenty-six cards of the partnership. Today's hand furnishes a typical case:

East, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

♠ 5 4
♥ 8 7 6 2
♦ A Q 4
♣ A J 8 3

♠ K 10 9 2
♥ 3
♦ K 8 7 2
♣ K 7 6 4

♠ A Q J 8 3
♥ A 6
♦ J 10 9 6
♣ 3

♠ 7 6
♥ K Q J 10 9 4
♦ 5
♣ 10 9 6 2

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
1♠	2♥	2♠	4♥
4♠	5♥	5♠	Dbl.
Pass	6♥	Dbl.	Pass
Pass	Pass		

South had a rather shabby vulnerable overall to begin with, and felt that he had "stretched" even more when he bid five hearts. He felt pretty sure, however, that the opponents would make four spades and felt equally confident that he would not be badly hurt at a five-heart contract.

When West bid five spades, North promptly doubled. He didn't care whether or not his partner had any defensive strength at all; North expected his strength in the minor suits to provide the three tricks necessary to defeat five spades. In that decision he was, of course, perfectly correct.

But South had no confidence in his partner, feeling that North was relying on a defensive trick or two in the South hand. Sure that the opponents would make five spades, South "ran out" to six hearts. Good defence set him four tricks, so he suffered a loss of 1,000 points on a hand which should have brought in 200. The price was cheap, however, if it taught him once for all that no player is good enough to take complete control of the bidding.

Yesterday, as the dealer, you held the following hand:

♠ K Q J 10 8
♥ K 8 5 3
♦ Q J 7
♣ 4

ANSWER: Pass. The hand is almost worth an opening bid, but there is danger of a misfit if partner has only a good club suit. There is little danger of missing a game, since your partner should then be able to open the bidding.

Score 100% for pass; 80% for one spade.

Question No. 640

To-day you are Howard Schenken's partner, and with neither side vulnerable, you hold the above hand. The bidding continues:

Kou Jacoby Schenken Major
Pass Pass 1♣ Pass

(?) What do you bid? (Answer Monday.)

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MUSICIANS PETITION QUEZON

Musicians employed in six night clubs in Manila addressed a petition to President Quezon asking for a reconsideration of his recent ruling prohibiting music and dancing after midnight, so that night clubs would be exempted from the rule.

The signers of the petition are employed at the Metro Beer Garden, Moonlit Terrace, Lepaspi Landing, Luzo Cafe, Cinderella Club and Tom's Grill. It was understood that some 500 other miscellaneous employees of these night clubs will submit a similar petition to the chief executive.

The petitioners state that night clubs should be allowed to have music and dancing after midnight because the people who frequent these places are matured men, professionals and businessmen and not youngsters and students whom the President would seek to protect from corruption. Night clubs, they claim, cannot be regarded in the same category as other recreation centres frequented by young men and students.

"While it is to be considered that one of the principal reasons for enforcing the restriction is to minimise the deleterious effects of recreation centres on patrons especially the youth and students, we believe that night clubs do not produce such effects because their customers are professionals, businessmen, military officers and tourists who not only are sufficiently matured but have money to spend," the petition says in part.

The petition states further that a night club operator must invest a lot of money to maintain and keep it going and that in order to recoup his investment and enable him to keep up the business, he must provide entertainment for customers as an attraction. The petitioners' main objection to the midnight restriction, however, is that it will throw them out of employment and thus leave them and their families without a means of livelihood.

The musicians say that they have studied to be musicians and make a living out of this trade. Many of them have had this means of livelihood for years and a change at this time would not only reduce their earning capacity but may render them totally without jobs for which they are fitted.



The mentally sketchy girlfriend says her beau insists it is the spirit of Christmas that counts but to her its the presents.

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Mahan Singh, British Indian, was fined a total of \$239 or two months in gaol for violating the milk laws by Magistrate C. H. Haines in the British Police Court in Shanghai.

Mahan, the first milk offender brought to trial since Magistrate Haines announced that he would deal severely with future violators, was given a week to raise the money for his fine.

The accused pleaded guilty to selling milk without a licence on three occasions, but claimed that he was innocent of adulterating milk. The court then explained that he was charged with selling watered milk, not with watering it.

The defendant's entire defence was that licensed milk is too expensive for the Sikh community to buy and that the milk was watered before it came into his possession.

They maintain that night clubs provide a training ground and an opportunity for music lovers and that the abolition of night clubs would narrow the field of opportunity for musicians and music lovers.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED

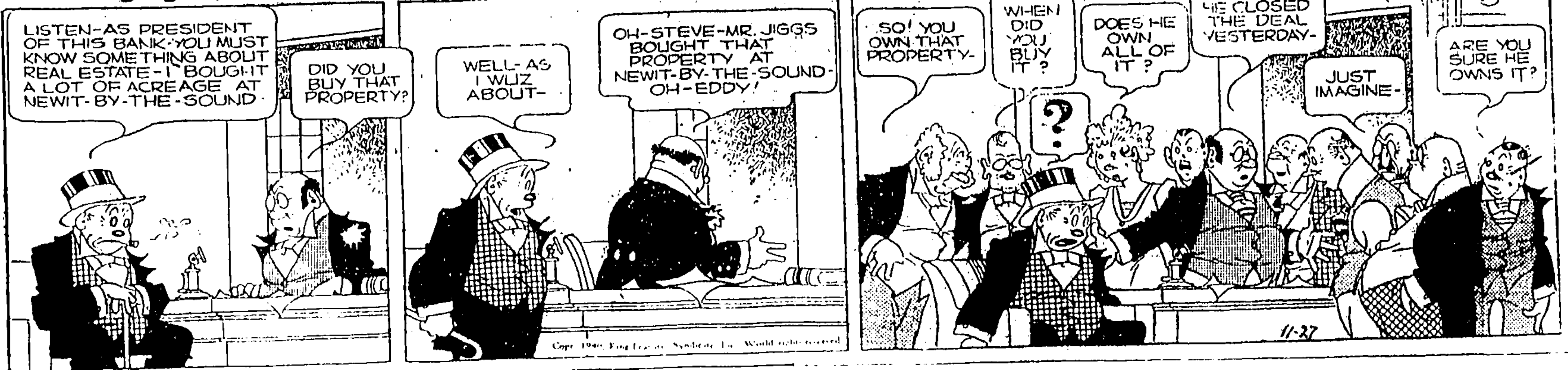


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A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Lovely Eyes You Must Pamper

EYES have the power to magnetise and fascinate when they are not neglected. They are woman's most important beauty feature, in my humble opinion.

No eye can be anything if it is weakened by strain, dull from lack of rest and care, or prematurely surrounded by wrinkles caused from too dry skin and misuse.

There are essential rules for sensible eye care which will not only protect your eyes from strain but will help to enhance their beauty and make YOU most compelling. Here they are:

Always read in a good light never when the sun or an electric light is making a glare on the print. Never read lying down, be comfortably propped to a sitting position.

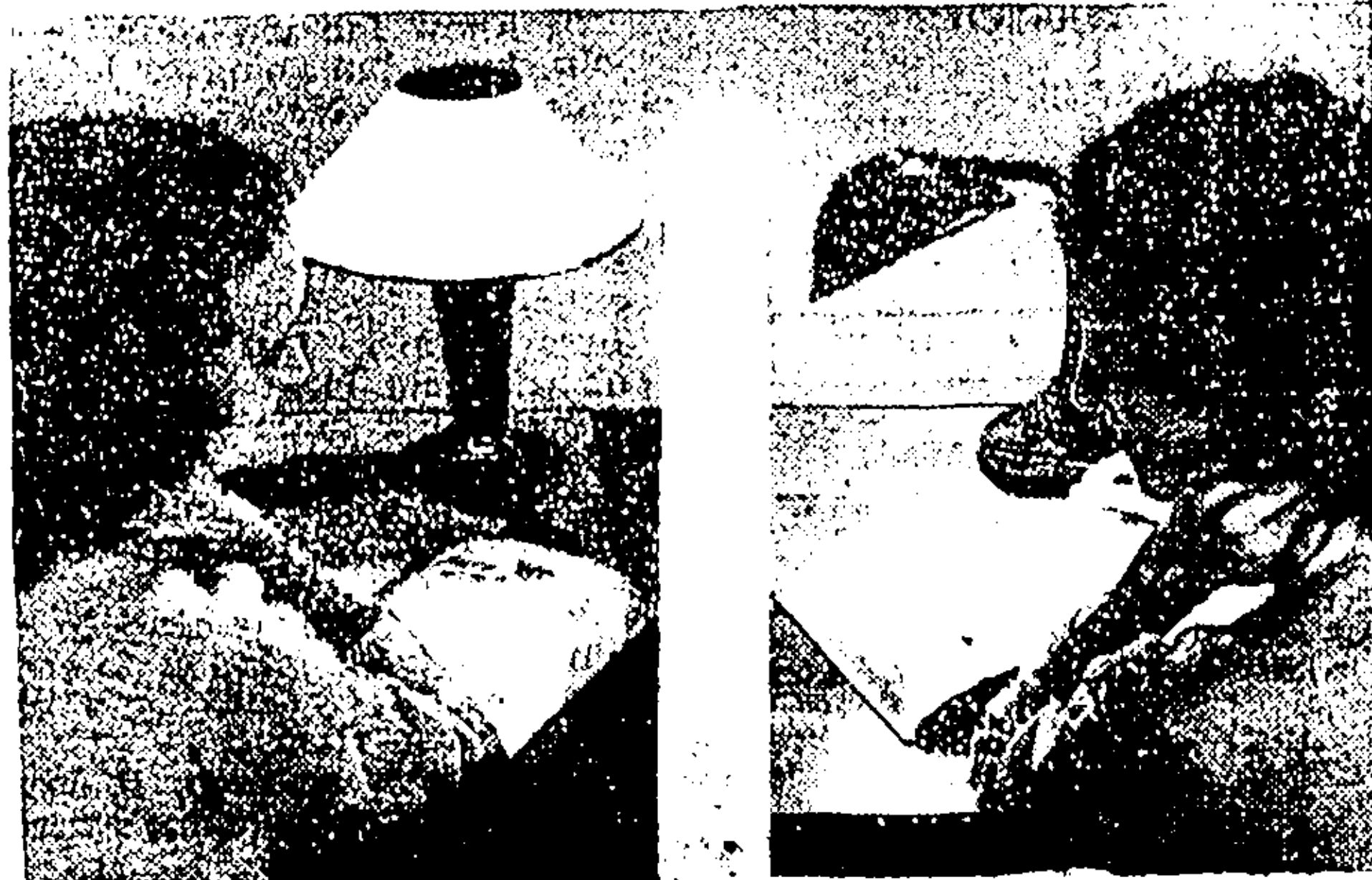
Exercise your eyes—they need it as do all muscles of your body. Wear glasses if you must, don't be stupid and let a false vanity prevent you from taking care of your eyes.

Rest your eyes frequently by using prepared eye pads or cotton saturated in chilled witch hazel.

Wash your eyes at least once a day—especially if you are a city girl.

Each night gently massage around your eyes with a good eye cream or oil, olive or almond.

Keep your lashes lubricated with a lash cream or an oil. Brush



Greatly improved readability is now possible through a new polarised light which decidedly cuts the glares. Many colleges are providing these new lamps for students. The girl on the right is ruining her eyesight by reading with a glare on the print and the light hitting her eyes.

them each day with a tiny lash brush so they will curl upward.

Never strain your eyes by concentrating too long on one thing, as by reading in a moving vehicle. Blink frequently to relieve your vision of strain.

Remember that any head exercise will aid your eyes. Practice them daily if you have the time.

See that you eat foods containing Vitamin A. Carrots and dried apricots are especially good.

For Eye Magic

If your eyes are healthy from daily care and good health then you may enhance their beauty with makeup. Here's how to do it:

Lashes may be curled with one of those tiny lash curlers.

Lashes may be slightly darkened with a mascara (sparingly applied) or better yet, with a black lash cream.

Eyelids may glisten with a soft eyeshadow, or by vaseline. See that you keep either on the lid—it should not spread beyond the end of your brow.

If you have a steady hand you may draw a feather-line with a pointed brow pencil along the roots of your upper lashes, on your lid.

If your lashes are extremely thin and colourless you may use artificial lashes on occasion—have them placed by an expert and avoid using too many—they should look natural.

Your brows must be kept sleek and trim for they are the halo for your eyes!

right leg and touch right foot to left hand, twisting the trunk at the same time. Follow the same procedure with left foot to right hand. 10 times to each side in easy rhythm. Rest and repeat. (Take exercise in small doses at the beginning if you have not been exercising.)

Hip Bouncing

(2) Sit on floor, legs extended, hands on floor slightly back of, and bracing the body. Raise the body on the hands and heels; bump hips to floor. . . . bumping from left to right with a 1, 2, 3, 4 count. Then from right to left with the same count. In easy rhythm until tired. Don't strain yourself.

Double Leg Swinging

(3) Lie on side, head resting on under arm. Place hand of other arm on floor to serve as brace. Swing both legs forward and upward, making an "L" of your body and return to floor. 5 times right, 5 times left. Rest and repeat.

Whittle Down Those Hips

LARGE hips—that are too large for the other figure measurements—is one of the most common figure faults of women. Why? Life is too good to us—we sit much more than we should. We rest on our hips and allow them to spread. A svelte hipline is kept svelte only through exercise—even dieting will not refashion the hip contour.

Every woman should supplement her daily mat exercise programme with a two mile walk each day. Why not walk to your marketing each day instead of telephoning or driving in a car? That two mile walk each day will not only keep your hipline normal but it will make you look younger and much more attractive. WOMEN DO NOT WALK ENOUGH!

Other sports, if you prefer them to walking, also tend to keep you in good health and the right measurements! Take up badminton, tennis, bowling or golf if you can

and reap amusement as well as health from the hours you devote to exercise.

But if you are terribly busy, with little time for a two mile walk or for a sport, you must determine to exercise at home. And don't tell me that you cannot spare even a half hour, for I will not believe you. You can spare a half hour or even an hour for good health! Make your exercise period a part of your day and don't cheat.

Here are some hip whittlers which will gradually streamline you if you are faithful to them. They are presented through the courtesy of the Contour Corner of the American Woman's Association.

Alternate Toe Touching Get Busy Now

(1) Lie on back, arms extended sideways at shoulder level. Lift



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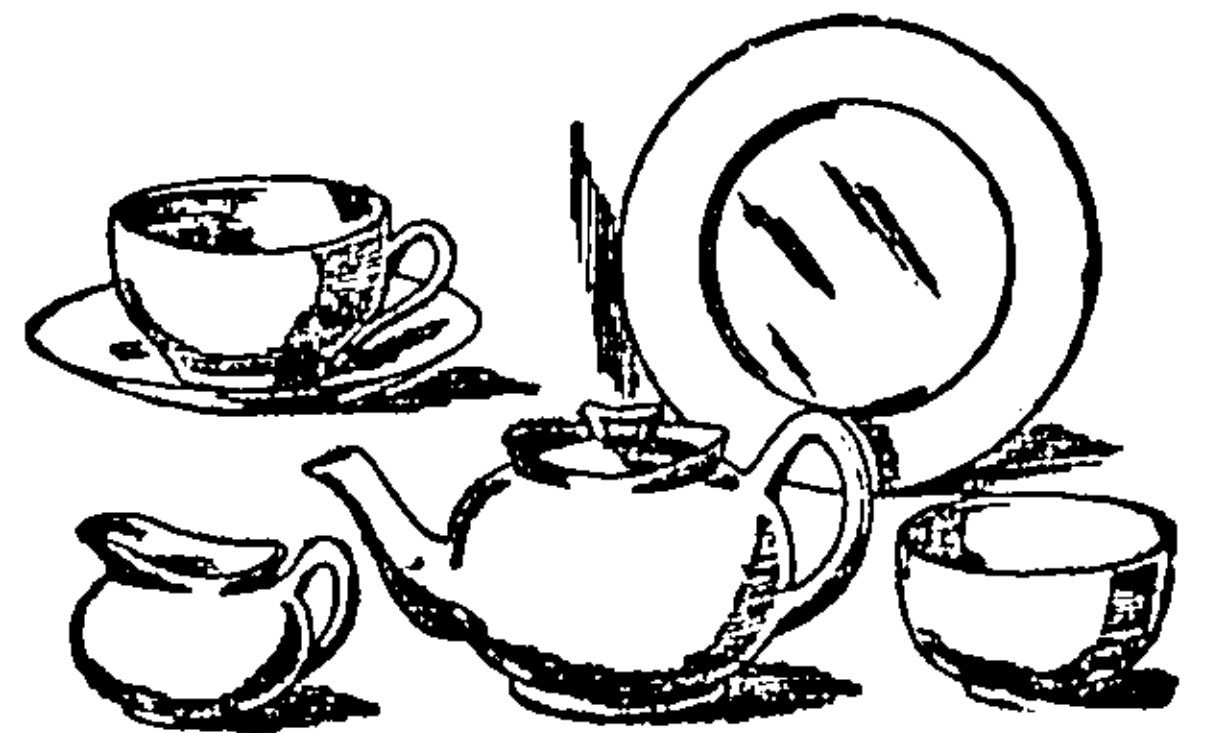
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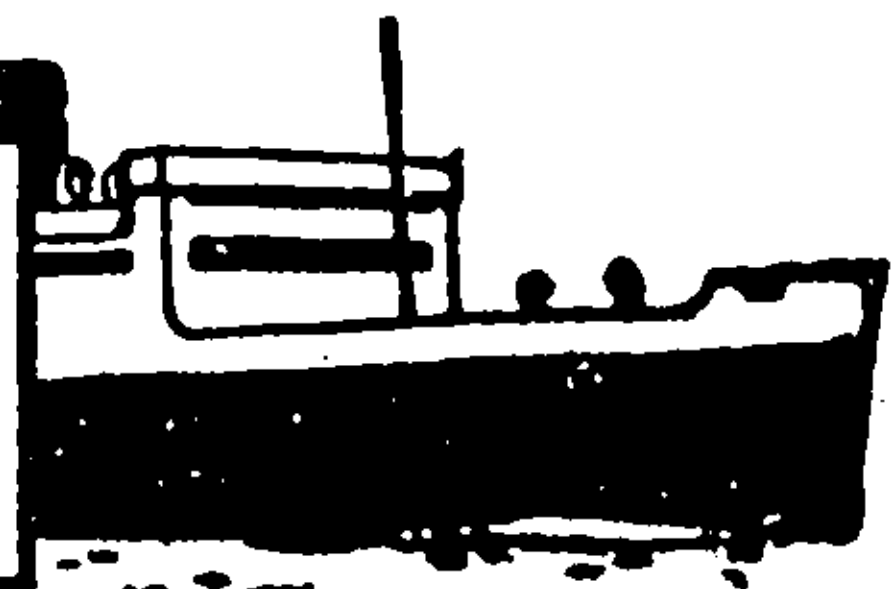
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Canton 7.00 p.m.

RADIO

12.30 p.m.—Lya Gauty and Charles Trenet in a Light French Programme.
1.03 p.m.—Variety.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—A Scottish Programme.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
5.45 p.m.—Indian Programme.
6.32 p.m.—Compositions of Beethoven.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Questions of the Hour.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—Special Programme to the British Forces in the Far East.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.02 p.m.—London Relay—Musio Hall.
9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News & News Commentary.
9.30 p.m.—Request Variety Programme.
11.00 p.m.—London Relay—Talk: "In My Opinion".
11.15 p.m.—Popular Dance Music.
12.00 midnight—Close down.

TORPEDOED---SO HE WANTS TO JOIN THE NAVY

THE ROYAL NAVY will surely keep a place for Kenneth John Sparks, the thirteen-year-old Wembley boy rescued by a destroyer after eight days in an open boat when a German submarine torpedoed the City of Benares.

Kenneth is determined to join the Navy. He wanted to become a sailor ever before he sailed for Canada. Now it is the one thing he lives for.

"I had a grand time on the destroyer that picked us up," Kenneth said.

"The crew showed me everything in it, but I don't particularly want to go on a destroyer. Destroyer or battleship, I don't care which so long as I get in the Navy."

"I know I'm too young now to join, but I am going to join some cadet unit to learn as much as I can."

The nearest naval cadet unit is at Hammersmith, too far away for Kenneth, so he is going to join either the Air Force cadets or the Army cadets. But it is the Navy he will join later.

His father said: "I am told that boys are not enlisted during wartime, and I don't think they are taking boys of his age on naval training ships."

"I have done nothing to make him change his mind or to encourage him. It is entirely a matter for his own choice."

"But he is so keen, it seems a pity he cannot be doing something now."

Kenneth's greatest treasure is a silver hunter watch, presented to him by the Mayor of Wembley. It bears the inscription: "Presented to Kenneth Sparks by his neighbours in admiration of his dauntless courage when torpedoed in s.s. City of Benares, September 17, 1940."

HUSBAND VANISHED TWENTY YEARS AGO

A husband who was stated by counsel to have disappeared twenty years ago was the respondent in an undefended case heard in the Divorce Court.

Mrs. Constance Maude Howick, of Adela Avenue, New Malden, Surrey, was granted a decree nisi on the ground that her husband, Mr. Stephen A. J. Howick, had deserted her. The marriage took place in 1918.

Mrs. Howick's case was that in 1920 she and her husband went to Bournemouth for a holiday, and on September 5 he returned home alone.

He wrote her a letter dated September 6, and she had not heard of or from him since. He left his employment and she was unable to trace him.

DOCTOR'S INFAMOUS CONDUCT

DR. MARTIN HERHOLDT JACOBS, 46, WHOSE MARRIAGE HAS BEEN DISSOLVED AND WHO IS NOW LIVING IN SOUTH AFRICA WITH ANOTHER MAN'S WIFE, WAS FOUND GUILTY BY THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL OF "INFAMOUS CONDUCT IN A PROFESSIONAL RESPECT." HIS NAME WAS ORDERED TO BE ERASED FROM THE MEDICAL REGISTER. HE WAS REGISTERED AS OF OLD-STREET, E.C.

The charge against him was that he committed adultery with Gladys Ethel Ivereigh, a married woman—of which adultery he was found guilty by a decree dissolving his own marriage in February, 1940—and that he stood in professional relationship with Mrs. Ivereigh or her family from about the beginning of 1934 until November, 1934.

Mrs. Ivereigh's husband, it was stated, objected to divorce on religious grounds.

In a letter to the Council Mr. Jacobs wrote: "Mrs. Ivereigh had never been a patient of mine, and had twice left her husband. I have lived with her, and we are still living together most happily."

"She has been given the only real affection she has ever had in her life, and she has given me the most blessed and harmonious years I have ever had in my adult life."

Doctor in His Shirt

During the General Medical Council's hearing of another case, a woman said that she saw Dr. Henry McNeill, registered as of Cedarne Road, S. W., wearing only a short shirt in his surgery at Pitfield Street, Hoxton, N.

The charge against Dr. McNeill was that on Aug. 26 and 27 he was so far under the influence of drink that he was incapable of properly carrying out his professional duties.

The Council found the facts alleged against Dr. McNeill proved, but to give him an opportunity to reconsider his habits and his conduct postponed judgment for 12 months.

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SOFTBALL PROGRAMME CURTAILED BY CAMP

Canadians Pin Faith In Quon

Bakar At Head Of Averages

By "Grandstand"

THE ST. JOSEPH'S-INDIAN Softballers and the Chinese Baseballers-Cyclones Senior Softball League scheduled games have been postponed as most of the players will be out on Volunteer camp training during the week-end, but the Recreio-Filipinos tilt will be played off according to programme.

In place of the two postponed games, the Chinese Baseballers will meet the Canadian Chinese.

Although the Junior and Inter-Hong schedules have been completed, with the exception of a few postponed games, these outstanding games, which were originally intended to be played off at the end of the fixtures, will be delayed for another week for the same reason.

Canadians Optimistic

At 2.00 p.m. Abe Liu's Chinese Baseballers tangle with the cellar-dwelling Canadian Chinese. Hurler Herbie Quon having regained form, the Maple Leafs are optimistic enough to hope for victory in this game.

In both of their last two games only one error was made in each, which seems to be a good sign, as it is a feature in this League that the team with the least errors usually wins.

The Canucks' glaring weakness is their lack of hitting power, first-sacker Ross Mark being the only one in the team to hit with some consistency, boasting a B.A. of .387, whilst Bill Ing just makes the .300 grade.

Denham Gray, first-ball chucker for the Liumen, will probably start on the mound, with Nip Lam taking catching duties. The infielders will be Tommy Chan at first, "Crooner" Ruel at second, with George White in the windy alley. The hot-corner will be held by Howard Lee, whose perfect fielding average was spoiled last week. Lee formerly held the left-field position for the team.

Aces Should Win

The Recreio Aces should have no difficulty in taking the Filipinos in the night-cap, in spite of their disappointing display a fortnight ago, when only a last-inning rally staved off defeat at the hands of the Chinese Baseballers. Johnnie Alvares will probably toil on the slab for the Aces with Charlie Figueiredo behind the batter. Nick Beltrao will hold the initial station with Caco Marques at the keystone position, whilst Bertie Gosano will take third. The short-stop gap is still open. In the absence of Tony "Pecwee" Alves, and it is likely that mentor Riri Noronha will rope in a couple of Second Division players to complete the team.

Battery for the Islanders will be Tatong Amper and Bob Laurel.

The Averages

The lead in the senior League batting averages is now held by Cyclone Bakar as a result of his brilliant three-in-three against the Mohawks last week, and also through Indian second-sacker "Baby" Abbas' inability to come through with a safety in four batting chances.

Bakar's .464 is closely threatened by Eddie "Doctor" Gosano's .462, whilst Dave (Bambino) Leonard is right behind Gosano with .459. The other players to bat over .400 are "Baby" Abbas, .444; Tommy Chan, .423; and Zinio Gosano .400. St. Joseph's right-fielder Powlawski and Indian Catcher Tarzan Ismail dropped out of the .300 class last week.

CANUCKETTES SHOULD KEEP LEAGUE LEADERSHIP

By "Grandstand"

The only game in the Ladies triple bill for tomorrow, which may turn out to be interesting, will be the Canadian Chinese-Baby Panthers tussle slated for 12.30 p.m.

Judging from recent performances the Canuckettes should clinch the decision to retain their league leadership with Wildcats, unless the Panther Kittens climb out of their slump and show something of their early-season sparkle.

Slab artiste Mary Ng will probably toe the rubber for the Maple Leafs as coach Bill Woo is not taking any chances with the pennant in sight. Dot Louie will be as usual, behind the plate, with Rene Yuen, Ulian Khoo, Alice Mar and Mabel Louie as the base-guardians.

Although Panther coach Gussie Noronha is finding difficulty in getting full turnouts at practices he is confident hurler Lelia "Lala" Xavier will be able to hold down the Canuckettes.

Theresa Marques, who has been taking a rest in the left garden since she split her hand some time ago, will be seen in her old position handsnatching.

The Line-Up

After careful consideration, coach Noronha has decided on the following line-up: Team captain Celeste Marques will hold the initial sack, with Thelma "Peanut" Marques keeping the keystone sack. Alice Mendonca has been switched from the hot-corner to the short-stop gap, whilst Regina Xavier will guard the far turn. Rookie Patsy Ribeiro, having proved her worth, will be seen in the left field, with Hilda "Bambina" Soares and Theresita Botelho in the centre and right gardens respectively.

The Cardinals need not go all out to take the verdict from the Little Flowers when they tangle at 9.30 a.m. in the opener.

Redbird battery will again be Babinda and Marie Roza, with probably Kitty Bush, Gilly da Motta, Betty Fitzgerald and Grandma Hutchinson in the infield. Patsy Jorge, Natty Faledona and Betty Clarke will be the outfielders, although it is more than likely that all reserves will be given a game.

One-Sided Match?

The Wildcats-Chung Hwa tilt will be another one-sided affair, with a possibility of Wildcat hurler Thelma Collaco pitching her third hitless game.

TO-DAY'S HOCKEY

Weather permitting, four friendly hockey matches will be played this afternoon.

Hong Kong Ladies will be entertained by Royal Engineers at Sookunpoo at 3 p.m. and St. Andrews Ladies will meet Central British Association Ladies at King's Park, commencing at 3.30 p.m. Both Y.M.C.A. teams will be seen in action at King's Park.

The following will represent Y.M.C.A.—
2nd XI v. Khalsa (9 p.m.)—Cleggott, Whitburn and Railton; Smith, Tomlinson and Gorman; Macey, Oleson, Dormer, Fancey and Banks.
1st XI v. Nomads (4.15 p.m.)—V. M. Benwell, Taylor and Youliff; Saxby, Coombes and Walker; D. T. Smith, Morgan, Hitchcock, Ireson and Dunne. Reserve, Spencelayh.

"RAPIER'S" SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

- Race No. 1
CONFUSION BAY
BURFORD
NAVYLIGHT
Outsider:—O-Lan.
- Race No. 2
UNITED EXPRESS
SYDNEY DIAMOND
ROYAL SOVEREIGN
Outsider:—King's Flight.
- Race No. 3
A HAPPY TIME
COLOOMA
RATIO DECIDENDI
Outsider:—National Courage.
- Race No. 4
A SURPRISING TIME
BLACK SEAL
SANTA ANITA
Outsider:—Castle Hill.
- Race No. 5
LOVELYLIGHT
IRON BEAUTY
GLOSSYLIGHT
Outsider:—Eve of Grandeur.
- Race No. 6
DISTANT VIEW
KING'S WELCOME
CANBERRA
Outsider:—Hascossay.
- Race No. 7
SAPPER
FAR VIEW
HAFFIN HAY
Outsider:—Viceroy.
- Race No. 8
MARSH WARBLER
NOMINE POENAE
PRAIRIE VIEW
Outsider:—First Love.
- Race No. 9
VITAMIN M
TWINKLING STAR
BENDEMEER
Outsider:—Newmarket Day.
- Race No. 10
OOLONG
CHARLESBER
VELVETLIGHT
Outsider:—World Fair View.
- Race No. 11
ROWAN
CRIFTEL
SPRINGHURST
Outsider:—Fair Chance.
- Race No. 12
ENDEAVOUR
MANHATTAN
NEWHORN STAR
Outsider:—Strathalbyn.
- DAILY DOUBLE:—SAPPER AND VITAMIN M.

GOLF STARTING TIMES

- Following are Royal Hong Kong Golf Club starting times for Fanning:—
- OLD COURSE
- 9.10 a.m. W. L. Alexander, G. Thomsen.
- 9.20 .. P. M. Cotton, H. M. Rowland.
- 9.24 .. R. Young, S. L. Lloyd.
- 9.28 .. H. S. Rees, R. P. Morris.
- 9.32 .. F. A. Howard, D. S. Robb.
- 9.36 .. S. C. Feltham, J. H. Bottomley.
- 9.40 .. Col. Rose, D. B. Evans.
- 9.44 .. A. H. McBride, L. Jackson.
- 9.48 .. A. H. Guinness, J. K. Bousfield.
- 9.52 .. G. E. Costello, A. D. Humphreys.
- 9.56 .. P. V. McLane, W. W. C. Shewan.
- 10.00 .. J. L. Macintyre, A. McKellar.
- 10.04 .. G. T. Harrington, J. S. Lee.
- 10.08 .. J. Linaker, J. Harrop.
- 10.12 .. F. N. Merritt, W. J. Kelly.
- 10.16 .. R. D. Gillespie, R. H. Chalilnor.
- 10.20 .. D. D. Forbes, J. Fleming.
- 10.24 .. I. H. Geare, A. W. Bourne.
- 10.28 .. J. W. Clague, P. E. Annis.
- 10.32 .. C. D. N. Walker, L. M. Wylie.
- 10.36 .. G. A. Leiper, W. Park.
- 10.40 .. C. F. Marshall, J. W. McKee.
- 10.44 .. S. H. Dodwell, K. S. Morrison.
- 10.48 .. A. B. Purves, J. C. Taylor.
- 10.52 .. M. A. Annett, J. B. Harrison.
- 10.56 .. W. J. Richards, H. A. Mills.
- 11.00 .. G. M. Park, R. A. Campbell.
- 11.04 .. Capt. Thursty, Lieut. Carter.
- NEW COURSE
- 9.24 a.m. H.K. Bank v. B. & S. (G. M. Young Cup).
- 9.28 .. H.K. Bank v. B. & S. (O. M. Young Cup).
- 9.32 .. H.K. Bank v. B. & S. (G. M. Young Cup).
- 9.36 .. H.K. Bank v. B. & S. (G. M. Young Cup).
- 9.44 .. M. G. Carruthers, R. C. Gaider.
- 9.52 .. J. O. Jensen, Miss Cuthbertson.
- 9.56 .. Major Alley, Miss Boyd.
- 10.04 .. Miss Kelly, R. Parkin.
- 10.16 .. E. L. Croome, F. A. M.

EIGHT SEVENS MATCHES

EIGHT MATCHES WILL BE PLAYED IN THE SEVEN-A-SIDE RUGBY TOURNAMENT AT CAUSEWAY BAY THIS AFTERNOON, COMMENCING AT 2.30 P.M.

A large crowd is expected as proceeds are being donated to the Bomber Fund.

The A.S.C. and 8th Heavy "C" have withdrawn and as a result B. & S. will meet Tamar & Small Ships "A" in a friendly seven at the end of the afternoon's programme.

Probable winners are Club "A", Middlesex "A", Civil Service, Royal Scots "A", Royal Engineers, 8th Heavy "A", Combined Small Units "A" and Hong Kong Bank.

The Programme

Following is to-day's programme:

Club "A" v Royal Scots "B", 2.30 p.m. Referee: Lt.-Comdr. Harrison.

Middlesex "A" v Tamar & Small Ships "B", 2.50 p.m. Referee: E. Matthews.

12th Heavy "B" v Civil Service, 3.10 p.m. Referee: J. S. Riddell.

Police "B" v Royal Scots "A", 3.30 p.m. Referee: Major Curran.

R.E. v 5th A.A. "A", 3.50 p.m. Referee: Lt. Price.

8th Heavy "A" v Jardine's, 4.30 p.m. Referee: E. Matthews.

5th A.A. "B" v Combined Small Units "A", 4.50 p.m. Referee: J. S. Riddell.

H.K. Bank v 5/7th Rajputs, 5.10 p.m. Referee: Major Curran.

The Teams

Following are the teams: Middlesex "A":—L/Cpl. Muggelidge; Lieut. Weedon and Capt. Man; Pte. Jones; Pte. Berry, Sgt. Bayly and Capt. Howitt (capt.).

Reserve:—L/Cpl. Wilson. Royal Engineers:—Spr. Jones (T); Cpl. Picton and Cpl. Barrill, Cpl. Foley (capt.), Spr. Martin (L), L/Sgt. Davis and L/Sgt. Sheldrake.

Reserves:—L/Sgt. Brinkley, Cpl. Apperley and Spr. Rees. Club "A":—H. van Leeuwen, D. H. Stewart and H. D. Bidwell, J. M. Thomson, C. F. Needham, A. F. Walkden (capt.) and R. E. Hensman.

Reserve:—D. Thomas. Police "B":—Jackson, Fay and Dingsdale; Oakley; Searle (capt.), Lewis and Rose.

Reserves:—Leslie and Jenner. 5/7th Rajputs:—Pollock (capt.), Allan and Fandeland; Scriven, Ambell, Course and Wood.

12th Heavy Regt. "B":—Gnr. McCarthy; Gnr. Howarth and Gnr. Couch; Gnr. Bevan; L/Bdr. Pain, 2/Lieut. Deiderfeld (capt.) and Bdr. Giddins.

Reserves:—Gnr. Jones and Gnr. Denton. Hong Kong Bank:—D. G. Day; M. G. Carruthers and G. G. Aitkenhead; F. M. Thompson; R. C. Gairdner, J. S. Dinnett and A. M. Kennedy (capt.).

Reserve:—J. S. Lee. Combined Small Units "A":—Pte. Macdonald; Lieut. Coombes (capt.) and Sgt. Hamlin; L/Cpl. Morgan; Sgt. Manfield, Cpl. Chandler and Sgt. Bedford.

Reserve:—Pte. Mohan. Civil Service:—A. J. G. Taylor (capt.); L. E. Lammert and T. O. Morgan; J. Redman; B. Hynes, F. Burford and E. W. R. Hackett.

Reserve:—J. C. Charter. 5th A.A. Regt. "A":—2/Lieut. Fairclough; Gnr. Giblin and Gnr. Baker; Gnr. Dobbinson; Gnr. Evans, 2/Lieut. Wedderburn and Sgt. Page (capt.).

Reserves:—Bdr. Mew and Gnr. Bowen. 5th A.A. Regt. "B":—Gnr. Easterbrook; Gnr. Mulligan and 2/Lieut. T. A. Pearce; Gnr. Sutcliffe; L/Bdr. Clarke, 2/Lieut. Banner and 2/Lieut. Heath (capt.).

Reserves:—Gnr. Mullen and Gnr. Owen. Jardine's:—D. I. Bosanquet (capt.); N. J. Booker and D. B. Nelson; J. C. Eager; R. G. Geer, R. G. Whitbourne and G. J. P. Carey.

Reserves:—T. Swan and I. D. Bruce. Tamar & Small Ships "B":—Lieut. Morahan (capt.); S/Lt. McGill and S/Lt. Danger; Lieut. Ruthford; S/Lt. Poole, Lieut. Watson and S/Lt. Dobson.

Reserve:—Lt. Winter. 8th Heavy Regt. "A":—L/Bdr. Richards; Sgt. Marsh and Capt. Skipwith; Capt. Hook (capt.); Gnr. Cook, L/Bdr. McDermott and Gnr. Taylor.

Reserve:—Bdr. Taylor. Royal Scots "A":—Pte. Parnaby; Capt. Douglass (capt.) and Capt. Paterson; Sgt. Nealon; 2/Lt. Millar, L/Cpl. Sutherland and 2/Lt. Pinkerton.

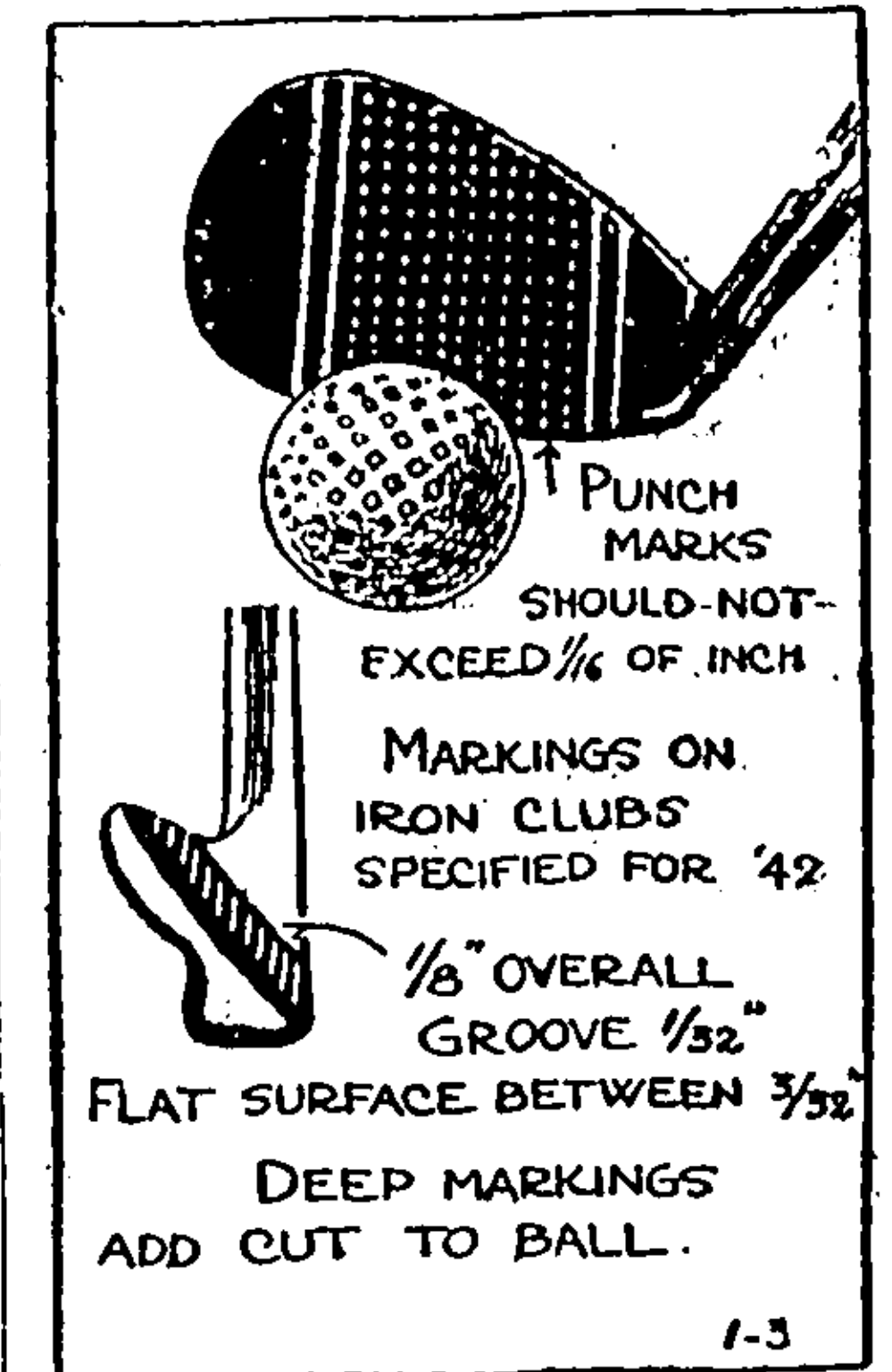
Reserve:—L/Cpl. Gracie. Royal Scots "B":—Lt. Gibson (capt.); Pte. Bateman and Pte. Fairley; Sgt. Stevenson; 2/Lt. Fergus, 2/Lt. Hunter and L/Cpl. Dudge.

Reserve:—L/Cpl. Combe. Elliott:—C. M. Williams, W. E. Denton, Mrs. Leiper, Mrs. Park.

SOFTBALL PROGRAMME FOR TO-MORROW

- LADIES' LEAGUE
At the Kowloon Football Club Ground
9.30 a.m.
- Cardinals v Little Flowers
(Nip Lam, Caco Marques and Al Lau)
- 11.00 a.m.
- Chung Hwa v Wildcats
(Doc Molthen, Johnnie Fonseca and Dave Walker)
- 12.30 p.m.
- Canadian Chinese v Baby Panthers
(Tommy Chan, Stan Leonard and Buckjai Kitchell)
- SENIOR LEAGUE
At the Kowloon Football Club Ground
2.00 p.m.
- Chinese Baseballers v Canadian Chinese
(Mike Mendonca, Harry Campos and Charlie Figueiredo)
- 3.15 p.m.
- Filipino Club v Recreio Aces
(Nip Lam, Bill Woo and A. M. Omar)

GRAPHIC GOLF



MARKINGS ON IRONS

By BEST BALL
Like the markings on the ball, the iron club also has a purpose for its lined or dotted face. It affords not only a better contact but by its mild fling quality, the imparting of spin to the ball. Golf in the beginning was played with smooth covered balls; but their flight was such a diving, darting affair little true accuracy could be achieved. When it was discovered that the cut balls, cut through the air straighter, the trend to marked balls was on its way. The face of the iron club has enjoyed a similar history. To prevent the markings from becoming so deep that one player might have an unfair advantage over another, because the sharp or rough edges could add unusual spin to the ball, the U.S.G.A. formulated certain regulations. To further clarify these rules, they have released the specifications, illustrated above, to be effective Jan. 1, 1943. Next Article:—A Mental Tip

TWO BIG GAMES FEATURE WEEK-END SOCCER SCHEDULE

Sing Tao Can Take No Chances Against Middies

CRICKET PROGRAMME

Following is to-day's cricket programme and some of the teams:

FIRST DIVISION
C. S. C. C. v. I. R. C.
C. C. C. v. Recreio

SECOND DIVISION
K. C. C. v. C. S. C. C.
Police v. University

FRIENDLIES
Recreio v. I. R. C.

K.C.C. 2nd XI: E. Curtis, T. A. Madar, R. J. Fenton, K. M. Bister, G. E. Taylor, W. L. Rapley, H. Broken-shire, L. R. Burch, J. R. Lake, Major W. W. Parsons and R. T. Broadbridge.
Recreio 1st XI: E. L. Gosano, W. A. Reed, A. M. Rodrigues, A. M. Prata, L. G. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, E. M. L. Soares, H. Orino, P. M. N. da Silva and N. A. Belliao.
Recreio 2nd XI: E. A. R. Alves, H. J. Barros, F. J. Remedios, M. A. Remedios, A. H. Remedios, L. J. A. Remedios, J. Soares, A. A. Lopes, V. Yvanovitch, M. Mendonca and A. N. Other.

C.S.C.C. 1st XI: J. E. Richardson, K. J. Attwell, F. Baker, W. H. Colledge, T. V. N. Fortescue, B. C. K. Haskins, R. H. Griffiths, D. McCallan, A. E. Perry, N. Whitley and A. M. J. Wright.
C.S.C.C. 2nd XI: H. E. Strasser, G. Ansley, J. Barrow, H. F. Harper, F. E. Lawrence, J. Mitchell, J. F. McGowan, T. Lockhart, N. L. Smith, G. Stone and A. Watson.

'VARSITY JUST BEAT TAMAR

At Happy Valley on Wednesday University beat Tamar in a thrilling match by three runs.

UNIVERSITY				
K. Lo, c. Boyes, b. Brown	16			
D. Chelliah, b. West	5			
J. Fenton, b. West	26			
A. Ahmed, run not out	5			
S. Amplanavar, played on, b. West	14			
O. V. Cheung, c. Sharp, b. West	5			
C. W. Hooi, b. West	1			
T. B. Teoh, b. Horgan	6			
N. Singh, run out	20			
C. N. Matthews, st. Hopkins, b. West	49			
S. Mahmood, not out	1			
Extras (B2, LB3, W5)	10			
Total	161			

Bowling Analysis				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
West	13.6	1	40	6
Brown	8	0	54	1
Horgan	6	0	37	1
Boyes	2	0	26	0

TAMAR C.C.				
Brown, c. Lo, b. Mahmood	9			
Whiteside, b.w. b. Amplanavar	34			
West, b. Amplanavar	48			
Boyes, b. Amplanavar	8			
Horgan, c. Teoh, b. Matthews	9			
Hopkins, b. Mahmood	21			
Sharp, b.w. b. Amplanavar	23			
Bowley, b. Mahmood	0			
Wilson, b. Mahmood	3			
Jones, b. Amplanavar	1			
Burns, not out	9			
Extras (B8, LB1, NB1)	10			
Total	158			

Bowling Analysis				
O.	M.	R.	W.	
Mahmood	7	1	39	4
Singh	4	0	26	0
Amplanavar	9	0	26	5
Lo	2	0	24	0
Matthews	4	0	32	1

MATCH POSTPONED

The Craigengower v. Club de Recreio First Division cricket match has been postponed.

"Y" WATER POLO WIN

European Y.M.C.A. beat the Middlesex Regiment by two goals to nil in a friendly water polo match played at the "Y" pool last night. Hunt and Paul scored for "Y".

Y.M.C.A.—H. Eardley; L. A. Benn, A. May; D. K. Paul; R. Gold-man; W. S. Gegg and A. Hunt.
Middlesex—Pte. Berry; Sgt. Freshwater, Bds. Hymas; P. S. M. Dye; Pte. Blundell, Pte. Burdge and Pte. Quickenden.

Army Should Beat Civilians In Lai Wah Cup

By "Referee"

THE TWO OUTSTANDING GAMES IN THIS WEEK'S SOCCER PROGRAMME ARE THE RETURN LEAGUE ENCOUNTER BETWEEN SING TAO AND MIDDLESEX ON CLUB GROUND TO-DAY, AND THE FINAL OF THE LAI WAH CUP COMPETITION TO-MORROW BETWEEN ARMY AND CIVILIANS ON CLUB GROUND.

On the two occasions that Middlesex and Sing Tao have met the latter team have won by one goal though Middlesex had most of the play. Sing Tao, after their lapse, cannot afford to lose a point at this stage of the competition, while Middlesex are out to show what they can do.

At Chatham's Road a very important Third Division game will be played between 24th R.A. champions, and Signals, and the result will have a very important bearing on the League championship.

Signals have played consistently good football recently and, if they win this game, will be in a strong position. Last week, 24th Royal Artillery did well to hold Air Force, leaders, to a one-all draw.

Lai Wah Cup Final

To-morrow, Army meet Civilians in the Final of the Lai Wah Cup Competition on Club ground, this being the first time for some seasons that Chinese have not been in the Final.

Army did extraordinarily well to eliminate the Chinese in the Semi-final round and if they are able to reproduce the same form they should be able to account for the Civilians.

Eastern, who are now bracketed with Sing Tao for second place, meet the much-improved Kwong Wah team at Boundary Street. The latter team has improved beyond recognition and are well able to extend Eastern who will be without Lau Tse-chen and Chung Yung-sum.

In Third Division, Air Force are expected to receive very strong opposition from 36th Royal Artillery, who defeated Royal Engineers in the Junior Shield. If the former can win this match Air Force will stand a good chance of winning the championship.

Several other junior games will be played to-morrow but the results should not affect the standings of the leading teams.

PROTECTION FOR REFEREES

Soong Ling-sing, who was sent off the field in the game between Sing Tao and Kowloon, for allegedly intentionally tripping the referee, was given the benefit of the doubt by the Emergency Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association which met yesterday evening.

A grave warning to unruly sections of spectators was issued as the result of a decision reached at the meeting. Any spectator, who is caught throwing things at the referee, will, if arrested, be prosecuted.

All Clubs concerned, it is understood, will be asked to give adequate protection to the referee.

GARRISON SNOOKER LEAGUE

The following are the results of matches in the Garrison Snooker League played on Feb. 13:—Signals (Cpls.) 3, R. A. Stanley; 3, Signals "A" 1, R.E. "A" 5; C. M. Police 4, R.E. Sgts. 2; R. A. P. C. 3; R. A. M. C. 3.

FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS

By "REFEREE"

BOTH the leading teams in First Division had rude shocks on Saturday when Sing Tao were held to a goalless draw by Kowloon, and South China were fully extended by St. Joseph's, being only able to win by the odd goal in three.

Sing Tao may attribute their lapse to a great extent to the weakness of their forwards, who were unable to produce their usual form, and to the sterling work of the Kowloon intermediate-line, in which Roy Maxwell was outstanding.

In view of the fact that Kowloon were not at full strength their performance is all the more creditable. They were not given many scoring opportunities but their forwards kept Sing Tao sufficiently engaged to prevent them from giving more assistance to their own forwards.

The game was marred by the sending off of Soong Ling-sing of Sing Tao. The matter is being investigated this afternoon by the Emergency Committee.

SERVICE Corps inflicted on Engineers their First League defeat when they won by three clear goals on Wednesday, after leading at the interval by two goals. Service Corps were the better team that day and fully deserved their win.

EASTERN and Kwong Wah are the only Chinese teams in the Senior Shield which clash in the Second Round but the others have tough propositions before them.

Police meet South China and, with the advantage of home ground, may win, while nobody is certain of what St. Joseph's will do against Sing Tao. In both their previous meetings St. Joseph's were defeated by small margins and, on their display against South China, may beat Sing Tao.

FOR the first time in many seasons, Chinese are not in the Final of the Lai Wah Cup competition and when Civilians and Army meet on Sunday some good football should result.

It is grand to watch a good game in comfort and not have to fight one's way into the enclosure and those who really wish to see a good game should not miss this Final.

ADVANTAGE will be taken of the dates fixed for the Shield competition matches to re-ar-

SHIELD FIXTURES

The following is the Shield and League soccer programme for next week:

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

JUNIOR SHIELD REPLAY

30th R.A. v. Signals
(Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION
R.A.M.C. v. 12th R.A.
(Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

SENIOR SHIELD SECOND ROUND

Police v. South China
(Boundary Road, 4.15 p.m.)

Royal Scots v. Navy
(Sookunpoo, 4.15 p.m.)

FIRST DIVISION
Kowloon v. Club
(Kowloon, 4.15 p.m.)

JUNIOR SHIELD SECOND ROUND

South China v. Police
(Boundary Road, 2.45 p.m.)

R.A.S.C. v. 30th R.A. or Signals
(Sookunpoo, 2.45 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

Middlesex v. Royal Scots
(Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.)

Club v. Kowloon
(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

35th R.A. v. R.A.F.
(Stanley, 2.45 p.m.)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

SENIOR SHIELD SECOND ROUND

St. Joseph's v. Sing Tao
(Navy, 4.15 p.m.)

Kwong Wah v. Eastern
(Boundary Road, 4.15 p.m.)

JUNIOR SHIELD SECOND ROUND

Sing Tao "B" v. 36th R.A.
(Club, 4.15 p.m.)

Navy or Eastern v. International
(Navy, 2.45 p.m.)

SECOND DIVISION

R.A.O.C. v. Kwong Wah
(Caroline Hill, 2.45 p.m.)

Kit Chee v. R.E.
(Caroline Hill, 4.15 p.m.)

THIRD DIVISION

24th R.A. v. A.S.A.
(Chatham Road, 4.15 p.m.)

range a number of postponed games.

DURING the week, Hong Kong had the pleasure of seeing a Macao Football Association team play two matches against the Colony's two leading teams, Eastern and South China.

Macao, though without the services of their captain, did well to hold Eastern to a 3-1 defeat and beat South China by the odd goal in seven.

South China only fielded four Senior Division players in the match against the visitors.

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